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EX-MEMBER OF
SEA DRAGON
CREW NOT AT
ALL ALARMED

Belief that there is no reason for any alarm at the breakdown of radio communication with the Halliburton junk, Sea Dragon, was expressed to the "China Mail" this afternoon by John Potter, who was to have been a member of the crew, but was brought back to Hong Kong ill with rupture.

Mr. Potter revealed that he was in touch with the Sea Dragon up to a week ago when she was approximately 300 miles north-west of Midway Island.

Captain John Welch, the navigator, then said they were going well but meeting with heavy weather.

In such heavy weather, it was quite likely that the Sea Dragon's aerial strung between the mainmast and the mizzen would go, as it did during the trip between Hong Kong and Formosa, in seas which were no more than moderate.

WEAKEST LINK

The wireless installation, said Mr. Potter, was the weakest link in the junk organisation, and until seas abated, it would be impossible for any member of the crew to get up the 70-foot mast to effect repairs.

Mr. Potter mentioned that the Boeing Clipper, which arrived last Tuesday, was in touch with the Sea Dragon by radio until near Guam, when there appeared to be something wrong with the Sea Dragon's equipment. Signals were coming through, but were unreadable.

The sort of weather to be ex-

London, To-day.

Probability of a Franco-British military guarantee of Poland's territorial integrity is now regarded as an "open secret" in London.

The Cabinet will be meeting early this morning to approve the final form of the statement the Prime Minister is expected to make when the House of Commons meets at 11 a.m. to-day.

Several morning newspapers state that Britain and France are guaranteeing to assist Poland if she is attacked.

The "Daily Telegraph" says the Prime Minister will issue an unqualified warning to Germany that Britain will oppose by every means in its power any further act of aggression in Europe.—Reuter.

London, To-day.

The Anglo-Polish negotiations were continued yesterday afternoon when the Polish Ambassador, Count Raczynski, called on the Assistant Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Sir Orme Sargent.

According to well-informed quarters, Sir Orme Sargent informed the Ambassador of the decision reached at the morning Cabinet meeting regarding the possibility of British guarantees to Poland.

Sir Orme was also visited yesterday by Mr. Winston Churchill.

In Paris, the newspaper "Intransigeant" quotes British political quarters as saying that Colonel Beck's forthcoming London visit will have definite political results.

RUMANIA ALSO

Latest information permits of the conclusion, says the paper, that Britain "under certain conditions," might be prepared to give assurances to Poland regarding military assistance if Poland should be the victim of unprovoked attack.

Britain would probably assume the same attitude towards Rumania.

The London evening newspapers state that Colonel Beck will also go to Paris for talks of political and economic nature after his London visit.

The papers add that Colonel Beck informed the British Ambassador in Warsaw to this

pected in the North Pacific at this time of the year made radio breakdown, through snapping of the aerial, more than likely.

effect yesterday afternoon. — Trans-Ocean.

Another Facet Of
Nazi Campaign

Berlin, To-day.

An important declaration on the German minority in Poland was made yesterday by the Nazi Minister for Interior, Dr. Wilhelm Frick.

Dr. Frick said: "The German-

HITLER TO
MAKE SPEECH
ON SATURDAY

Berlin, To-day.

Hitler is to speak at Wilhelmshaven on Saturday afternoon, and his address is being awaited here with more than usual anticipation.

Hitler will attend the launching of Germany's second 35,000-ton battleship, which will be christened "Tirpitz" by the daughter of Admiral von Tirpitz.

Hitler will not speak at the launching but in the Town Hall at 5.40 p.m.

It has been rumoured that he will denounce the Anglo-German Naval Agreement, though Nazi official circles deny this.

Nazi officials think he may avoid all mention of Anglo-German relations. — Trans-Ocean.

Polish minority declaration of November 5, 1937, has unfortunate. (Continued on Page 38)

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MEDITERRANEAN MUNICH NEXT AIM OF AXIS?

NAZI AND FASCIST AIMS IN SPAIN

The view taken in Berlin, and doubtless in Rome as well, is that the victory of General Franco has created a new strategic situation not merely in Spain but in Europe and Northern Africa.

That it should do so was, indeed, the main purpose of German-Italian intervention in Spain. The Axis Powers are determined to maintain this new strategic situation, so that the struggle for preponderance in Spain will go on.

Indeed, it is likely to grow more stubborn as between the Axis Powers and the Western Powers, even if it take political and commercial rather than warlike forms.

By their ascendancy in Spain, the presence of Italian—and latterly German—troops in Libya, and, above all, by the expansion of the German submarine fleet and the existence of Mediterranean, and perhaps even of Atlantic and Red Sea, bases that can be used by German and Italian submarines, the Axis Powers are able to exercise very considerable pressure on the Western Powers in the Western Mediterranean.

It would appear that they mean to bring about a state of crisis in the near future, not so much by any immediate threat of aggression as by a series of demands, incidents, provocations, and manoeuvres, each of which will create a minor crisis or problem, the whole campaign being well co-ordinated and having the ultimate backing of force on a massive and concentrated scale.

NAZI ARGUMENT

The Axis Powers no longer make any serious pretence of getting out of Spain.

It is possible that some of the Italian infantry will leave, but the hold which the two Powers have secured over Spain will certainly not be loosened—indeed, if it is not counteracted by the Western Powers, it is likely to become a domination, in spite of the alleged "individualism" of the Spaniard.

The latest argument used in Berlin justify the continuance of German-Italian intervention in Spain, for that is what it amounts to, is that the balance of power is being transformed by British rearmament and that the German-Italian position in Spain must be maintained or even strengthened to redress that balance.

What is the aim of the Axis Powers? To secure from the Western Powers acceptance of the German-Italian hold over Spain as well as such concessions, in Tunis, for example, and perhaps in the African colonies, as will make Germany, in conjunction with Italy, what she has never been hitherto, a Mediterranean Power.

Once this aim has been achieved, the next step—namely, the attempt to secure a German-Italian domination over the Mediterranean and Northern Africa—can be attempted.

"MEDITERRANEAN MUNICH"

But the gathering speed of British rearmament and the German and Italian internal situations

curtail the time that is available for such far-reaching schemes.

The view taken in Berlin would seem to be that if a "Mediterranean Munich" can be achieved this year by "peaceful" means, then time will not matter so much, because Germany and her ally will have secured a position of such strength in the Mediterranean that they will be able to dominate that sea sooner or later, even of British rearmament will have become very formidable meanwhile.

If Germany secures a "Mediterranean Munich" in the spring she may well leave the Mediterranean alone for a time and turn against Rumania, for her internal situation is becoming such that further conquests are necessary to her, conquests that will help to increase her supplies of raw material, foodstuffs, and oil.

DISCONTENT IN GERMANY

Although there is no active opposition to the regime in Germany, nevertheless discontent deepens and widens steadily while opposition of a passive kind has begun to show itself here and there.

The regime has conferred on the working class certain benefits, the chief of which is the abolition of unemployment, together with great evils. But these benefits cannot be maintained indefinitely if Germany has no more than her present resources at her disposal.

Skilled labour makes no effort to resist the regime openly, but it repudiates it inwardly. There is a good deal of ca-caning and of sabotage in the factories.

Amongst the upper and middle classes there is much discontent. It is now no exaggeration to say that many Germans of character and critical intelligence are disgusted with the regime—with the utter self-seeking of most of the leading Nazis, with the general debasement of public life, the spread of corruption, and by the steady increase of crime.

Herr Hitler still enjoys considerable popularity amongst the young. He even has some devoted and disinterested followers amongst the mature. But he is coming to be regarded more and more widely as a man who is driving his country into war. Goring enjoys considerable popularity still.

"CANNOT GO ON MUCH LONGER"

While successfully eliminating all organised opposition and having

NAZI SEIZURE OF BALTIC STATES?

London, March 23.
Military quarters here are studying the possibility of the German seizure of all the Baltic states and Denmark in the event of war, from the viewpoint of the arrival of supplies in Great Britain.

A large part of the foodstuffs imported by England come from these countries, and, therefore, competent quarters are alarmed by the situation caused by the annexation of Memel.

According to well-informed circles, an increase in the present stock of food supplies is being considered.—Havas.

secured complete and unchallenged control over the Army, the regime has destroyed its own moral basis.

Amongst critical Germans the view gains ground that it "cannot go on much longer," that as the financial and economic situation in Germany grows worse, that as the regime grows more and more top-heavy by reason of the ever-growing bureaucratic apparatus, and as the emptiness of Herr Hitler's victories grows more evidence the regime must come to an end.

It is an end for which many influential Nazis are preparing, even now, by transferring large sums of money to foreign countries.

These things are not unknown to Nazi leaders, especially to Herr Himmler, the most powerful man in Germany after Herr Hitler, and one who has always had a sober appreciation of what the ordinary German thinks and feels.

Action abroad and in the near future is, for these reasons, taken in conjunction with British rearmament, regarded as desirable by the Nazi leaders, action that will increase Germany's supply of essential products and establish at least a basis for further advance.

U.S. EXPECTS TENSION TO BE MAINTAINED

Washington, To-day.

It is understood that diplomatic and other information reaching the Government suggests that tension in Europe is likely to be maintained in the near future.

The totalitarian States are credited with the intention of forcing upon the Democracies "another Munich."

The United States Government therefore hopes to help to secure "peace without surrender" by decisive relaxation of the Neutrality Act next week.—Reuter.

"WIRELESS" BY TELEPHONE FOR BRITAIN

London, To-day.

In the course of an announcement on wireless relay services, the Postmaster-General informed the Commons yesterday of the Government's decision that the Post Office should introduce a service for the distribution of broadcast programmes by carrier frequency over telephone lines, giving a choice of three or four programmes without interference with the normal telephone service.

The service might eventually be extended to non-telephone subscribers.

This service, in conjunction with private relay services of companies whose licences are to be extended for ten years, would enable programmes to be transmitted if so desired entirely over wires, which would be of advantage from the point of view of national defence.

Although it was the intention that wireless broadcasting should be continued in the event of war, it was also intended to make the new service available as soon as possible.

Main consideration governing the decision was the importance of the matter from the point of view of national defence and safety.—British Wireless.

THIRD U.S. LOAN TO CHINA EXPECTED

Shanghai, To-day.

It is reported here that a third loan from the United States has been negotiated by the Chinese Government and that the necessary documents will shortly be signed in Washington.

The loan consists of credits up to U.S.\$15,000,000, involving the Whitney Aeroplane Corporation which will supply China with modern bombing and fighting planes.—Our Own Correspondent.

QUEEN MARY BETTER

London, To-day.

It is stated at Marlborough House that Queen Mary, who has been suffering from a cold, is better.—British Wireless.

APPOINTMENT

New York, To-day.

President Roosevelt has nominated Mr. F. H. Brown, a former Senator, to the position of Comptroller-General.

The position has been vacant since 1936.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S £12,000,000 INDUSTRIAL MAMMOTH

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Once a lovely fertile part of the West Lancashire Plain, Euxton, near Chorley, is now the site of the greatest munition works in the world. In the building of this £12,000,000 Royal Ordnance Factory a new contracting world record was set up in the amount of white labour employed. At one period 14,000 men were at work on the site.

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At present the factory is in 50 per cent. production.

Chorley has been populated by hundreds of workpeople removed from Woolwich Arsenal. In the local schools Cockney is freely mixed with the Lancashire dialect.

When the King visited Euxton on March 14 he had a quick tour of 50 miles of roadways and at various points saw about 8,000 work-people, the men who have helped to build the world's greatest munitions factory.

The work is nearing its close, the huge concrete mixer has been dismantled, the last canteen shut and soon the factory will be in full peacetime production.

The original estimate for the building of the factory was £4,000,000. No contract of such magnitude

KING IN U.S. CONGRESS?

The King may address a joint session of the U.S. Congress during his American visit with the Queen in June.

Already there is a rush on Congressmen for gallery tickets for the days they will be in the capital.

had ever been carried out in England before, and it was soon found that the original estimate would have to be more than doubled.

To-day more than £10,000,000 has been spent, and the Government announced that a further £2,000,000 has been allocated for the completion of the programme.

TREK BY WORKERS

First came nearly 30 miles of railway tracks and sidings, a job which was completed by the L. M. S. Railway Company. This preliminary work was speedily accomplished.

As the news spread, all roads led to Chorley. Many men walked more than 100 miles to get a job, and thousands of others travelled from all parts of the country by bicycles

and old motor-cars, looking for work.

The erection of hundreds of buildings on the site, magazines, storehouses, etc., took its toll of life and limb. The Chorley Hospital dealt with an average of nine out-patients and three in-patients daily, over a long period, while road accidents and fatalities were counted by the score.

In an amazingly short time this colossal factory began to take shape. Millions of bricks were used and 1,500,000 cubic yards of concrete, with 600,000 yards of steel fabric reinforcement. Nearly 300,000 square yards of window glass alone were required.

The world's greatest concrete mixer, costing nearly £30,000, was a famous landmark for many months. It towered 120 feet high, and in one day created a new world record by turning out over 5,000 tons of concrete mixing.

Twenty-eight trains and more than 100 lorries were used to carry the mixing to the various parts of the site.

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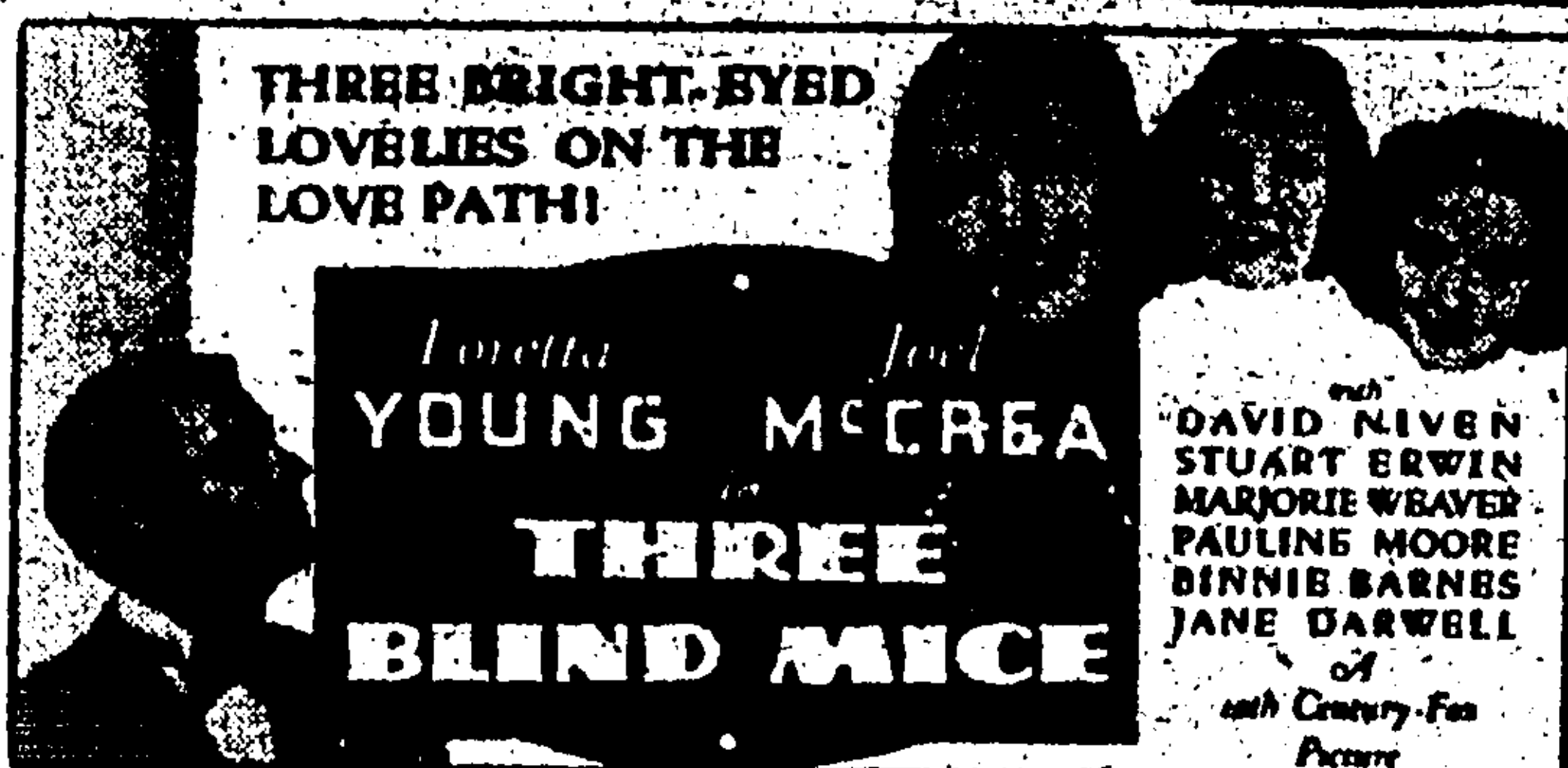
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QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL**DAMAGED LINERS KEPT
OUTSIDE BY FOG**

The fog which occasioned the collision off Breaker Point between the P. and O. liner, Canton, and M.M. liner, Marechal Joffre, yesterday, is to-day preventing them from making harbour. Both vessels reached the waters of the Colony during the night, but visibility is practically nil and it is feared that both may be compelled to remain outside until this afternoon.

Extent of the damage to the Canton is still undetermined but Captain H. M. Jack, her master, has wirelessed Mackinnon, Mackenzie's stating that the liner is in no difficulty, and will come in as soon as the weather lifts.

"LOST" IN FOG

Mr. R. Ohl, the local agent for the M. M. went out in a tug this morning in an effort to establish contact with the Marechal Joffre, but after cruising in the fog for some time, with a visibility of less than 100 yards, he was unable to find the ship and was forced to return.

In the meantime, it is understood, tentative plans are being prepared for the Chitral to take over the Canton's schedule, though decision will as already announced be delayed until examination of the damage to the Canton establishes whether the change is necessary or not.

Lady Northcote and Mr. M. A. S. Northcote were due to sail for England in the Canton to-morrow.

a member of the Chinese Department must have sent the telegram? "If it was not a European, it must have been a Chinese."

The three cables received were then read out again to witness who replied "I say again that the telegram must have been sent by a Chinese."

Counsel: "Assuming that no Chinese sent it, that disposes of your suggestion?" "Certainly, assuming that no Chinese sent it. There are many departments, one of which might have sent it."

Questioned further, witness suggested that the telegram was sent by those who secured business from the Yue Ching Cheong through Mackinnon and Mackenzie. Witness suggested that the freight canvasser may have sent it.

NOT SO STUPID

Witness added that the Yue Ching Cheong firm would not be "so stupid" as to send a telegram using another person's name.

Mr. Potter informed the Court that a cable had been sent to plaintiff firm's office in Kobe, requesting them to find out who sent the telegram and to interview the manager of the Kobe branch of Messrs. Mackinnon and Mackenzie concerning it. The reply has not yet been received.

The case continues this afternoon.

**CABLES KEPT
BUSY IN
INSURANCE
CLAIM CASE**

Three fresh cables, to prove that the telegram which was purported to have been sent by the Kobe branch of Messrs. Mackinnon and Mackenzie to the Cheong Shing Hong Firm, was not sent with the authority of the company, were produced by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, junior, in the Supreme Court this morning when the China Underwriters Insurance Case was resumed.

Plaintiffs are claiming \$30,906.28 from China Underwriters as the rateable proportion to be borne by defendants in the loss of marine products and seafoods, lost in a fire in plaintiff's godowns in January 1938.

The defence is that 127 of the 137 items claimed are fraudulent, and benefits under the policy are, therefore, forfeited. It is further alleged that the prices of some of the goods had been charged higher than the market price, and that weight and price book had been altered.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. C. Macnamara appear for the plaintiff firm on the instructions of Mr. E. Davidson, of Hastings and Co. Defendants are represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jnr., and Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, instructed by Mr. O. E. C. Marton, of Deacons.

Mr. Wong Yun-tong, managing partner of plaintiff firm, and one of the directors of the Bank of East Asia, was again cross-examined at length.

The Hon. Mr. D'Almada said this morning that, in reply to a cable sent by the local branch of Messrs. Mackinnon and Mackenzie to the Kobe office, three telegrams were received, explaining in detail how inquiries were carried out in Kobe, and confirming the previous message that the cable, purporting to have been sent by the Kobe office, was not sent by any member of the staff, European or Chinese. The cable was not written on forms used by the office and the name of Mackinnon and Mackenzie was in the body of the cable at the end of the message, and not as a signature.

MUST HAVE BEEN CHINESE

Counsel to Mr. Wong Yun-tong: "This disposes of your suggestion that

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RUMOURS OF DEMANDS OR ULTIMATUMS TO POLAND, DECLARED "EXAGGERATED"

Berlin, To-day.

RUMOURS of German demands and ultimatums to Poland are certainly exaggerated, Reuter learns from a well-informed source.

VISCOUNT GORT IN MAGINOT LINE

Paris, To-day.

Viscount Gort, Chief of the British Imperial General Staff, was shown over the stronger sections of the famous Maginot Line and the interior fortifications at Metz yesterday morning.

Viscount Gort closely inspected the ventilation system and the measures taken for protection against gas attack.—Reuter.

ROYAL NAVAL FILM CORPORATION

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE ROYAL NAVAL FILM CORPORATION WHICH HAS BEEN CONSTITUTED TO ORGANISE PROVISION ON BOARD HIS MAJESTY'S SHIPS OF FILM PROGRAMMES FOR THE LOW-DECK, WILL BE INAUGURATED NEXT TUESDAY EVENING BY THE DUKE OF KENT AT PORTSMOUTH.

The First Lord and members of the Board of Admiralty will be present.

Leading representatives of film distributors, the press and the shipbuilding industry, who have materially assisted the Corporation, will be entertained to dinner by the Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth Royal Naval Barracks.

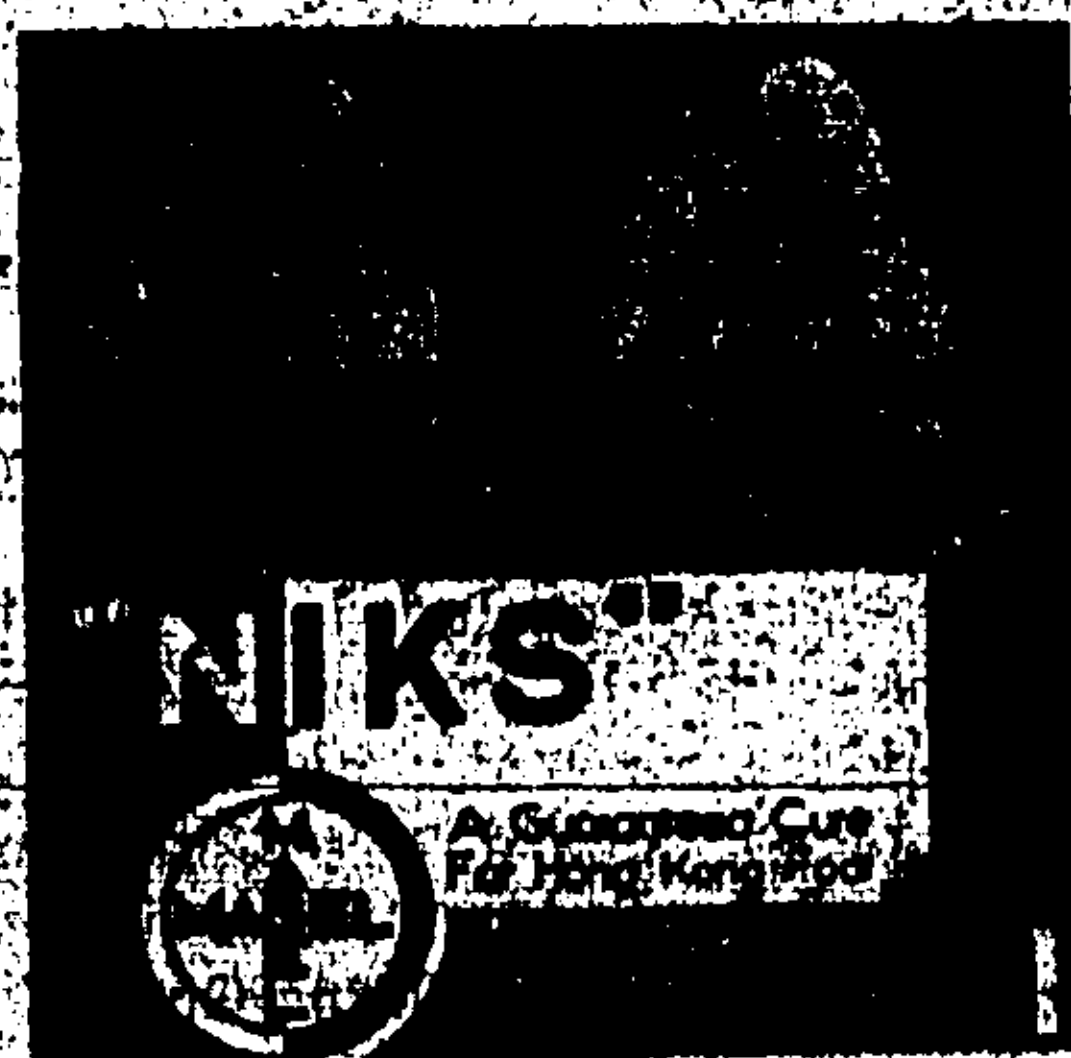
Afterwards the Commander-in-Chief, Home Fleet, will entertain the party on board H.M.S. Ark Royal, when a cinema programme will be shown.—British Wireless.

REFUGEES POUR INTO MACAO

Macao, To-day.

Refugees are still pouring in from the Kongmoon and Shek-ki areas and many passed the night in the streets here.

It reported that the Japanese have retaken Kongmoon.—Our Own Correspondent.



That certain suggestions or approaches have been made to Poland is not officially denied, but all talk of Warsaw being asked to subscribe to the Anti-Comintern Pact appears to be premature.

Even the question of a motor road through the Corridor is not being pressed by Germany, it is stated.

It is understood that Colonel Joseph Beck, the Polish Foreign Minister, is not expected to leave Warsaw by train en route to London.

This means that he will not visit Berlin.

NO CLUES IN NEWSPAPERS

Building of a motor-road through the Corridor would be difficult and expensive, and would give excellent opportunities for smuggling, it is suggested.

With Hitler Bavaria, Dr. Goebbels (the Propaganda Minister) in Rhodes, Field-Marshal Goering in Italy, and Dr. Funk (Economics Minister) busy with the Reichsbank, no important Cabinet meetings or secret councils are likely to be held here.

The Nazi newspapers continue to give no clue to official opinion or intentions in regard to Poland.—Reuter.

FURTHER INCIDENTS ALLEGED

Berlin, To-day.

Further anti-German demonstrations are reported from Poland by the German news agency.

The agency alleges that anti-German riots in Upper Silesia have increased in number lately.

It is alleged that Poles marched into a restaurant, molested Germans and knocked down with chairs a German who despite threats continued to speak in German.—Reuter.

MR. HUDSON'S FINNISH TALKS

London, To-day.

According to Helsingfors press reports to British trade delegation to Finland had a conference yesterday morning with Finnish representatives at the official residence of the Finnish Foreign Minister.

Later, Mr. R. S. Hudson was received by the Premier, M. Cajander. M. Ryti Director of the Bank of Finland, entertained Mr. Hudson to luncheon, the guests including Field-Marshal Mannerheim.

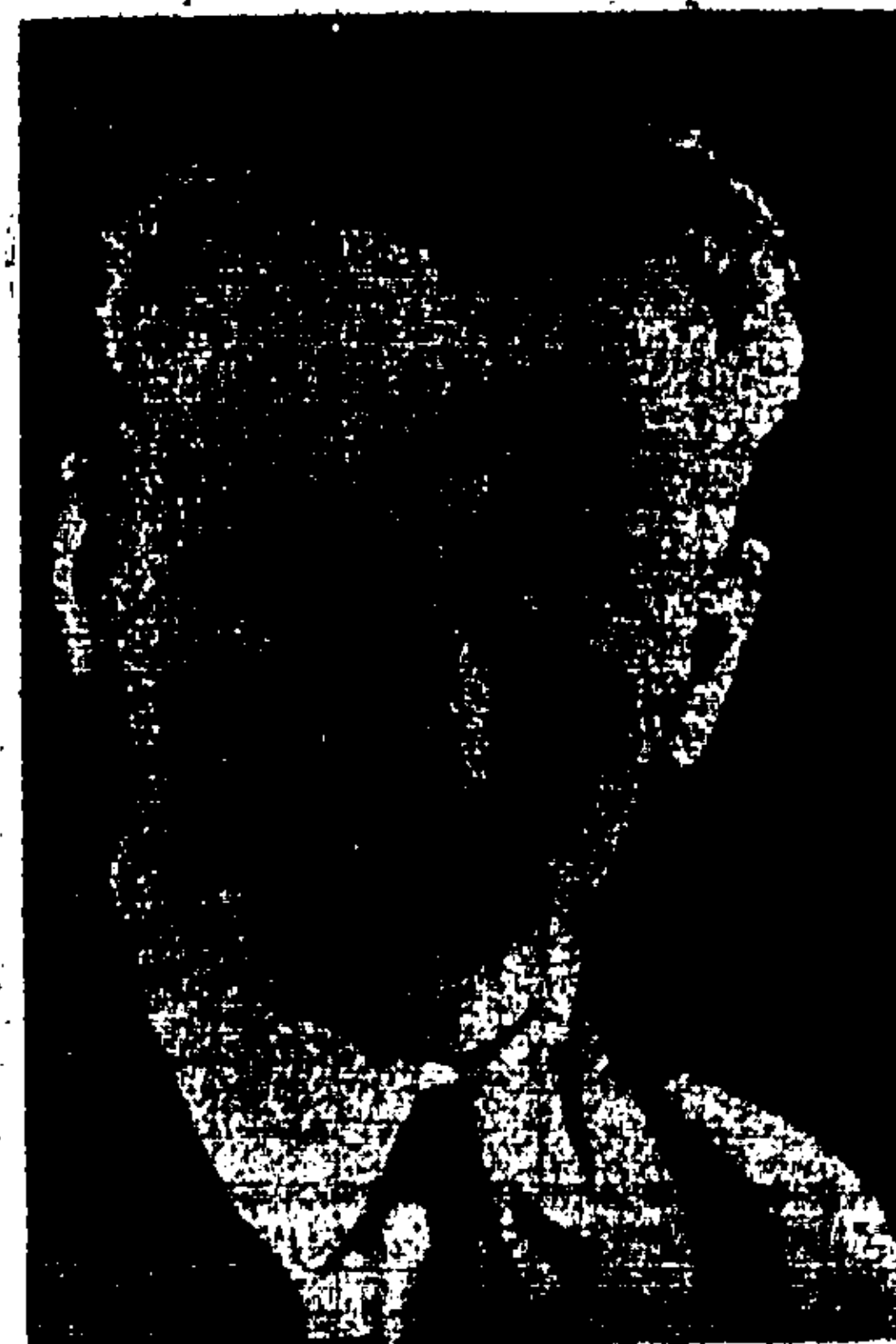
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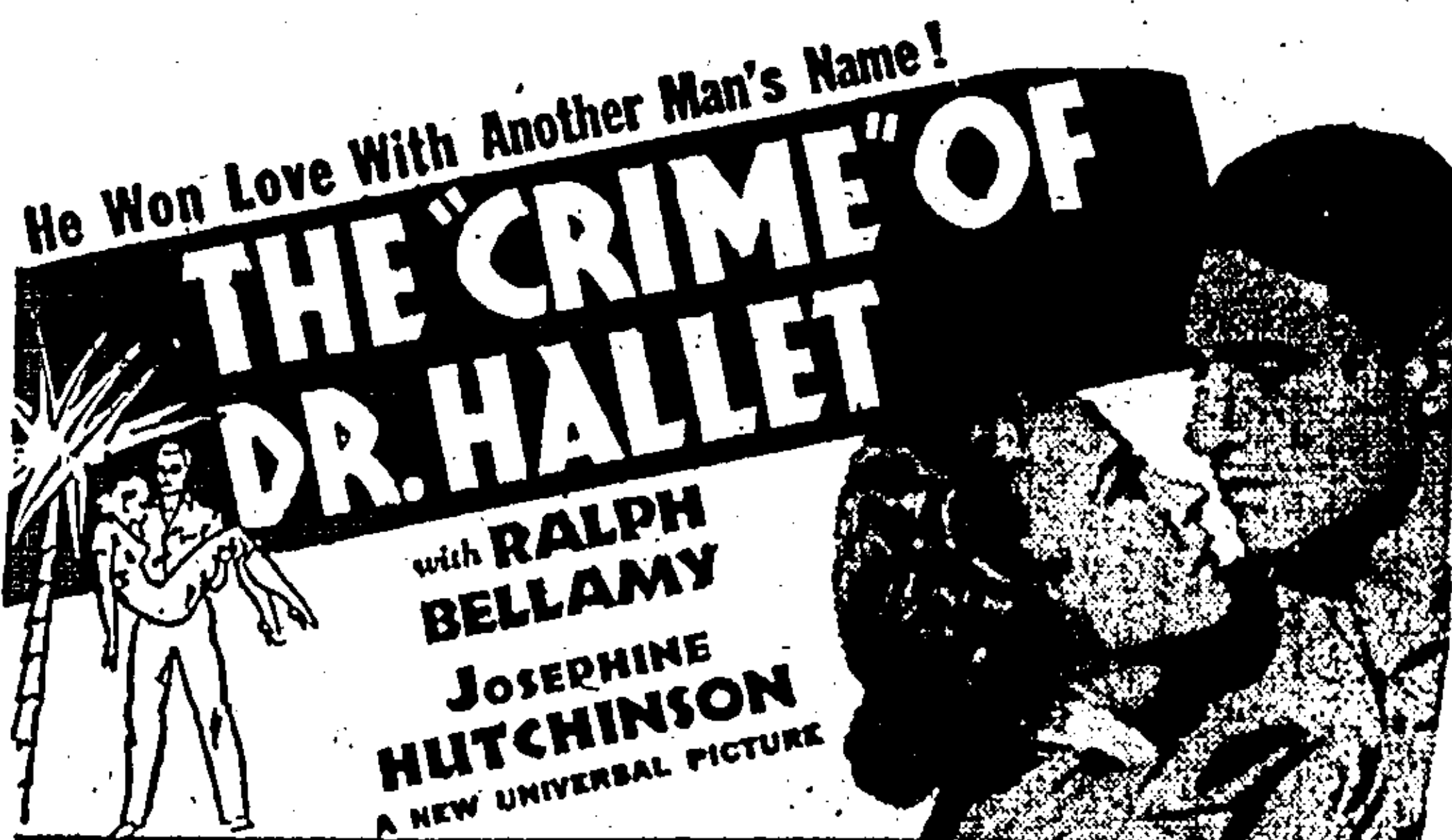
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State Control Of Currency In Germany

Berlin, To-day.

The Reichs Minister of Economy, Dr. Walther Funk, addressing the Central Committee of the Reichsbank yesterday, dealt with the new finance plan, as well as with recent foreign criticism of German methods in the domain of international economic relations.

According to the speaker, criticism of German methods was attributable to their success. All proposals for restoration of normal economic relations must be based on new methods since the foundations of world economics have changed and the newly-strengthened national States declined to be shackled by "international gold autonomy" or international indebtedness.

Dr. Funk described Germany as being to-day the "greatest industrial country in the world in an uniform space."

The speaker referred to the agreement with Rumania and stressed that there could be no question of "silver bullets" or of political loans. Thanks to the treaty the "natural economic energies of both countries will be mobilised and methodically applied in the view of common achievement."

DIRECTED ECONOMY

Germany with her directed economy safeguarded against a crisis was in the position to guarantee Rumania an exchange of goods at fixed prices for a long period of time without seeking to acquire a monopoly.

He said that negotiations with England and France with the aim of developing trade relations had been interrupted in consequence of the latest political events, but now that the new order had been established in Central Europe, the necessity for continuing these negotiations was greater than ever.

The speaker voiced the hope that sequestration of funds belonging to the "country which had been put under the protectorate of the German Reich" would be only temporary.

BUYING-IN SHARES

Turning to the reorganisation of the Reichsbank, Dr. Funk observed that those shares of the Bank which were now abroad, would be repatriated and their foreign owners "honourably indemnified."

In future, Reichsbank shares would not be securities in the usual stock exchange acceptance of the word.

Questions of capital and dividends would be settled on the basis of a new bank law at the next general meeting of the Reichsbank which would probably be held in May.

STATE CONTROL OF CURRENCY

The speaker emphasised that not the bank of issue but the Government alone would be responsible for the currency. The economy of the nation was primary, whereas the currency was only a secondary factor.

The stability of currency depended on the stability of wages and prices and this would be ensured by the State.

The object of the new finance plan was firstly, to place, as far as possible, the burden on the future, secondly, to diminish the load

N.Y. STOCKS SLUMP

Reports of increased tension in Europe, particularly in relations between Germany and Poland, caused a sharp break on the New York Stock Exchange yesterday, under pressure of London and Paris selling. Certain Polish bonds declined sharply and nervousness was general. The Dow-Jones average figure for industrials showed a decline of 3.06 points.

H.K. MONEY MARKET AFFECTED

The Hong Kong exchange market also reacted this morning to events. U. S. Dollars, yesterday quoted at 29, this morning went to 28-11/16 on heavy speculative buying.

REGISTRY MARRIAGE

The marriage of Mr. Palmer Chuyuan Sze, Chief of the Exchange Section of the Central Bank of China, and Miss Edith Chuen-nien Bien, residing at No 12, Bay View Mansions, took place at the Registry this morning.

The ceremony was conducted by the Deputy Registrar of Marriages, Mr. T. J. Gould.

FOGS TO CONTINUE

The Royal Observatory reports that a weak anticyclone covers the Pacific to the east of the Bonins. Another anticyclone is forming over N. China. A shallow depression is moving northeast through the Straits of Korea. Pressure remains relatively low over Tongking.

Local forecast: — E. and S.E. winds, light to moderate; cloudy, local fog or mist.

of interest weighing on the State, thirdly, to reopen the money market to private borrowers.

Dr. Funk concluded saying that Germany would continue her financial policy as laid down in the new plan "regardless of malignant and uninformed criticism in foreign countries." —Trans-Ocean.

ITALY PERTURBED BY GERMAN-POLISH SITUATION

Rome, To-day.

"Italy does not intend to remain a prisoner in the Mediterranean," was Mussolini's only comment on international affairs in a speech at Cosenza, in Calabria, yesterday.

Italians at present are more perturbed by relations between Germany and Poland than by the French Premier's speech.

Those Italians who are not wholly Fascists and not wholly in favour of the Rome-Berlin Axis, think the danger point for Europe is Poland.

If Germany shows resentment at Warsaw's refusal of its suggestions and marches, then many Italians declare the Axis might not bear the strain.

Commenting on the French Premier's speech, Signor Gayda, who usually expresses Mussolini's opinions, writes in "Giornale d'Italia."

"The French have definitely shown that they want to slam the door we left open, but Italy is not impatient. She can wait."—Reuter.

Holy Roman Empire Dream Again

Berlin, To-day.

The "Hamburger Fremdenblatt," well connected with the German Foreign Office, points out that Mussolini on Sunday clearly defined the present situation by mentioning Djibuti, Tunis and Suez. The paper believes that the echo to Daladier's speech in the Italian press will make Italy's point of view clear beyond any possible doubt.

Daladier's reference to Germany's "aggressive intentions" are sharply taken up by the paper, which refers to French and British rearmament and argues that events in Central Europe are but the logical outcome of "applied historic justice." The "Hamburger Fremdenblatt" concludes: Europe, quicker than Daladier seems to believe, will get used to a state which "for many centuries had been considered normal and natural."—Trans-Ocean.

"STUPID PROPHECIES"

Mussolini said he was happy to visit Calabria at a moment when all Italian hearts were beating faster on account of the victory of Franco, especially since the Italian volunteers had contributed so much to that victory.

Stupid and miserable prophecies of adversaries had been destroyed by the will and faith of the Italian people.

Mussolini left Cosenza in the afternoon for Catanzaro. — Trans-Ocean.

BRIDGE BOMBING ARRESTS

London, To-day.

Four men were arrested last night on suspicion in connection with the bomb outrage on the Hamersmith Bridge. — Trans-Ocean.

MEMEL CESSION APPROVED

Kaunas, To-day.

After Prime Minister Urbys had made a short statement, the Lithuanian Parliament yesterday ratified the Lithuanian-German Treaty regarding the cession of Memel. — Reuter.

Ideological War "Warning" By Italian Press

Milan, To-day.

Commenting on the French Premier's broadcast, the semi-official "Popolo d'Italia" says that M. Daladier confirmed the intransigent attitude adopted by France towards the Italian claims.

The paper alleges that France does not wish to prevent further increase of Franco-Italian tension but is determined to extend the conflict from the sphere of Mediterranean and colonial policy to that of a merciless struggle between two antagonistic conceptions of the international situation.

The paper asks why M. Daladier clings to the antiquated idea of collective security.

"Corriere della Sera" describes the speech as evasive and embarrassed, and is surprised at the commission of any reference to Spain.

"Stampa" considers that controversial discussion over the 1935 agreement would be superfluous, and says that "France remains with grounded arms."

UTMOST RESERVE

Political circles maintain the utmost reserve, and stress that all bridges have not yet been destroyed, while at the same time pointing out that the speech makes no clarification of Franco-Italian relations. — Trans-Ocean.

NEW JAPANESE DRIVES IN SHANSI

Yuanku, Shansi, To-day.

In south Shansi, the Japanese are launching fresh drives.

Some 3,000 troops have commenced a southward push with Pinglu, important Yellow River crossing, as their objective.

One column is pushing from Hsianghsien and another from Changtichen.

Synchronising with the drive on Pinglu, the Japanese are converging on Juicheng. Fighting is in

AGAIN THAT ROMAN EMPIRE MIRAGE

Berlin, To-day.

"A very meagre contribution to international policy," is the consensus of opinion in Nazi political circles on the French Premier's speech.

France, it is said here, has chosen to evade the issue and has thus assumed a position diametrically opposite to that of nations "which are working for a new order in Europe."

The "Berliner Lokal Anzeiger" says: "It is entirely correct on the part of the Italian press to emphasise the heavy responsibility assumed by M. Daladier in repeating his 'Never'."

"This 'never' may have a harmonious ring for French ears and may even call forth hosannas from the enemies of Fascism but it signifies failure to comprehend the realistic factors of power and dangerous ossification in France which finds its expression in fruitless agitation against inevitable developments."

STRANGE ARGUMENT

The paper continues: "If M. Daladier regards the conquest of Czecho-Slovakia as a blow to Franco-German understanding, one can only conclude that France saw her own interests in Bohemia affected, and the fact that she had interests there constitutes an invasion of the sphere of German interests which might permit Germany to assume the attitude that France had dealt a blow to Franco-German understanding."

The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" says that the table must be cleared and a new attempt to arrive at an understanding made, "but such understanding demands not only diplomatic astuteness but also comprehension of the Roman Empire." — Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH DEFENCES IN INDO-CHINA

Paris, To-day.

The French Colonial Minister, M. Mandel, before the Committee for Colonial Affairs, stated last night that French native troops have been doubled during the past year.

The French administration of Indo-China, after occupation of Hainan by the Japanese, had taken special precautions and strengthened the defences of French Indo-China territory by building aeroplane factories capable of turning out 150 planes and 400 airplane engines per year. — Trans-Ocean.

The Consul General for Panama and Mrs. Juan Rivera Reyes are leaving for Manila, on Monday to spend Holy Week there. They leave in "President Coolidge" and expect to be back on Easter Monday by the "Empress of Canada."

progress in the outskirts of Juicheng.

Japanese air units have been active, subjecting Pinglu and Maotai to severe bombings. — Central News.

LEBRUN MAY YET STAND FOR PRESIDENT

PARIS, TO-DAY.

THE POSSIBILITY OF PRESIDENT ALBERT LEBRUN STANDING FOR RE-ELECTION TO THE PRESIDENCY IS RAISED IN SOME PARIS CIRCLES.

President Lebrun is making a speech on Sunday, and it is thought possible he may mention the subject then.

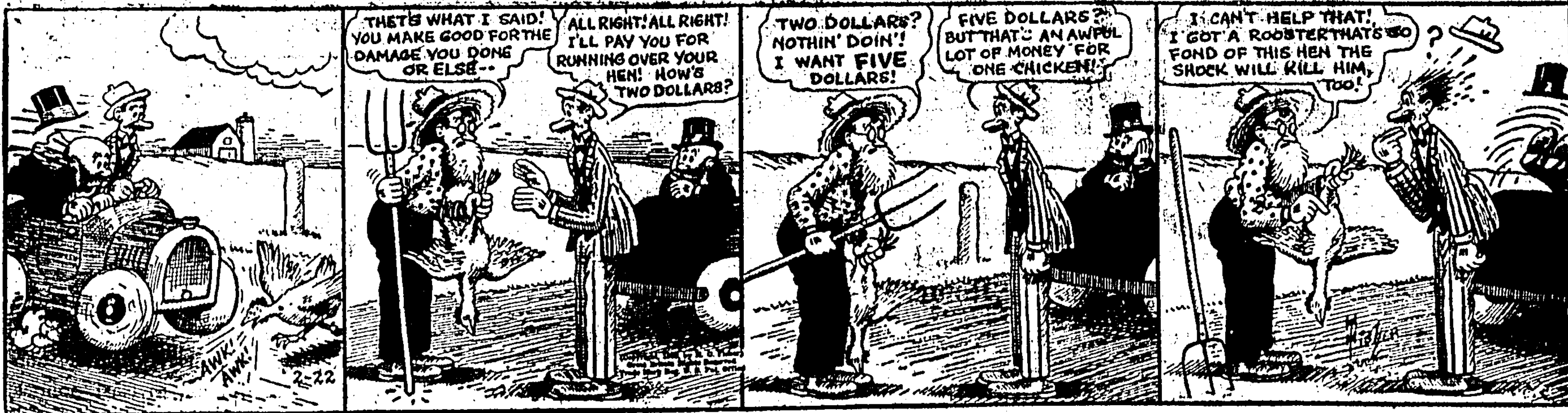
In Parliamentary circles, the name of the Rapporteur of the Senate Finance Commission, M. Abel Gardey, is mentioned as a likely candidate. — Trans-Ocean.

JUST FORGOT

For failing to report to the police authorities since December, Wong Ping-nam, 18, a police supervisee, was this morning placed on a \$10 bond by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon. Accused said he had forgotten.

MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



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BREAKDOWN IN BUDAPEST NEGOTIATIONS: ANOTHER SLOVAK BORDER INCIDENT

Budapest, To-day.

AN official communique issued here at noon yesterday states that a new incident occurred on the Hungarian-Slovak frontier near the Hungarian frontier town of Jolsvo, about 50 miles west of Kaschau.

The statement alleges that Slovak troops crossed the border and opened fire on Hungarian frontier guards. The latter returned the fire and the Slovaks withdrew.

The communique adds that a Slovak officer later informed the Hungarian commander that an enquiry had been ordered.—Trans-Ocean.

FRESH DIFFICULTIES

Budapest, To-day.

Fresh difficulties arose at yesterday's meeting of the Slovak and Hungarian delegates discussing demarcation of the Slovak-Ruthenian frontier.

The Slovaks put forward a counter-claim for a strip of Hungarian territory in return for the area in Slovakia claimed by Hungary.

This demand was flatly rejected by the Hungarians, whereupon the Slovaks announced they would ask their Government for further instructions.—Reuter.

"SLOVAK ATTACKS"

REPULSED

Budapest, To-day.

An official Hungarian army report states that the Slovak attacks on Hungarians have been repulsed without Hungarian losses.

It is announced that a special service will be arranged for Hungarian soldiers on active service in the Carpatho-Ukraine.—Trans-Ocean.

CALIFORNIA CLIPPER ARRIVES IN HONOLULU

Honolulu, To-day.

The California Clipper, which is making her maiden flight across the Pacific to Hong Kong, arrived here yesterday and was greeted by cheering crowds.

The Clipper is carrying 25 passengers and 11 crew; the largest plane-load of persons ever to fly the Pacific.

The Clipper's full capacity is 72 passengers.—Reuter.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS DEBATE

London, To-day.

The House of Commons will debate foreign affairs on Monday next, announced the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in the House yesterday.

Mr. Chamberlain added he was unable to announce the length of the Easter adjournment yesterday as it would normally have been announced.—Reuter.

GERMANY "PIONEERING" IN RUMANIA

Berlin, To-day.

"A pioneering act" is how Dr. Funk, Nazi Minister of Economy and concurrently Reichsbank President, yesterday described the new German-Rumanian trade treaty.

There were no "silver bullets" in its operation, he said, and the productive energies of the country were being increased and the standard of living of the population raised.

At the same time, Germany's export possibilities were improved.

Referring to the question of currency, Dr. Funk said Germany would never again permit her economics to be "dependent on internationally manipulated currency policies."

Countries poor in capital would not again let themselves into dependency by foreign debts. They wanted to strengthen their own production and the purchasing power of their people by selling their products.—Reuter.

Owing to the fog, holding up shipping outside the harbour, the film "Robin Hood" due to be shown at the Queen's to-day, has not arrived. "Spring Madness" together with Argus, will continue for another day.

CHINA MAIL

FRIDAY SUPPLEMENT, MARCH 31, 1939

THE house-boy pushed open the door of the waiting-room very gently and informed the dark young man that the matron would see him in a minute or two.

The dark young man, subdued by the propinquity of sickness, entered the room very softly and, putting his hat on the table, sat down on a chair in the corner.

His entrance had been very discreet, and he doubted whether the old lady sitting on the horseshair soft, placed in front of the fire so as to prevent any of the heat escaping her, noticed his entry. But, whether she did or not, she went on talking in an animated fashion to a young, fair, and pretty woman who, perched on the arm of an easy chair, interjected encouraging monosyllables at appropriate intervals.

At first the young man did not pay any attention to the old lady's ceaseless conversation, and his eyes wandered round the room appraising the comfortable, if sombre, furnishings and dwelling with some slight interest on the fair hair of the young woman which appeared all the fairer by reason of its black background.

Then they fell upon the round table in the middle of the room, and his hand crept out almost furtively to take a paper. He was not good at waiting, and, though he turned over the leaves, looked at the pictures, and read the captions, the jokes conveyed nothing to him.

It had been a serious operation, this of Jacqueline's, and, though she had given instructions that he was to see her at the first possible moment, that moment had been, to him, incredibly delayed.

the monosyllabic interjections of the younger; but what she was saying conveyed nothing intelligible to him until he caught the mention of the name Jacqueline. Then his fingers tightened about

"That seems to me a very moderate word," the old lady went on. "No sooner had Carlton been born than he began to neglect her. Not that I knew at the time, because Jacqueline's very proud



OVERHEARD

"His fingers tightened about the paper he was holding while he tried to hear what was being said."

the flimsy paper he was holding and, raising it to his face, he peeped over the top at the older woman while he tried to hear what was being said.

"Of course, my dear," the old lady was saying in decisive tones, "I wanted her to have this operation before. There has always been trouble ever since the birth of the boy, but I must say that at that time there were various things against it. You see, she was so run down."

"Naturally." The fair woman's

and naturally she didn't want to own she had made a failure of the thing, but the child looked ill and worried."

"She became very nervy," the fair girl interjected sympathetically, and the dark young man was aware that she was looking at him. Had she caught him listening? He flushed a little and raised the paper so as to hide his face.

"Gradually it all came out and Gordon didn't care how fast he went so long as he did go. He gave her a divorce; not that she couldn't have got one anyway. But after that she crumpled up a bit and it was all that worry which started her present trouble. Of course, we had her down in the country."

"I remember she looked very ill."

"But not for long, my dear. It is wonderful what the country air can do for a person. Plenty of that and plenty of cream, you know, from our own dairy; and our own chickens. We had her much better in no time."

"But surely she used to come up to town now and again?" The dark young man held the paper even closer to his face.

"Oh, of course, but the foundation of the whole thing was laid in the country. I've never seen a girl take on a new lease of life in such a remarkable way. She would never have stood up to this operation if she hadn't been fundamentally fit."

The door opened and the dark young man looked at it expectantly, but there was no message for him. A middle-aged man joined the two by the fire, and the old lady looked anxiously up at him. "Well, doctor?"

"Extremely well. You've no need to worry. Mr. Francis is with her at the moment and after he's gone you'll be able to see her again. He says that she bore the whole operation remarkably well."

The doctor pulled out a cigarette and seated himself on the edge of the couch. "I take some credit for that, you know. That tonic was just the thing for her. She was inclined to be anaemic;

but her blood's anything but that now. It's a wonderful thing, that Kampola; puts you right in no time."

"I must try some," the fair girl said.

"There's nothing anaemic about you, young lady; but Jacqueline—she was another kettle of fish altogether. I've attended her for the last four or five years, you know. I brought Carlton into the world and all that. She was very down at one time, but she's a different person now—thanks to her mother and—without boasting—I think to me. She wants understanding; not that she's temperamental, but she takes likes and dislikes to people very readily. Fortunately she liked Francis."

"They speak very highly of him," the old lady said.

"He's very good indeed. Luckily when he opened your daughter up he didn't find things nearly as bad as he thought; but he was the man for the job all right. Cheered her up all the time, you know. Didn't let her get down."

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Short
Story

By Peter
Traill

She had had an unhappy life, had Jacqueline, and the dark young man, who had crossed her orbit at the nadir of her spirits, had devoted himself to improving what he jocularly referred to as "the morale of the troops."

Even his worst enemy would have given him credit for some success, but just when he had healed Jacqueline's mind her body had gone wrong. The workings of a woman's inside were not matters upon which he posed as an authority, and when she had told him that an operation was imperative, he had accepted the fact without any great argument.

From the moment when it became necessary he devoted himself again to preparing her to take with a stout heart all that the knife might do, and she had faced the ordeal with courage and even with humour. But his own ordeal, that of waiting for news, had imposed a severe strain on himself, and his white face showed that the previous few hours had not been a picnic for him.

As he looked at the paper and waited for the summons of the matron, the chatter of the two women impinged itself more clearly upon his ears, and he could not help hearing the monologue of the older one, broken occasionally by

cool voice rose up like a rock in the middle of the evenly flowing stream.

"It was, of course, Gordon's going. That was what was at the bottom of the whole thing," the old woman continued as if there had been no interruption, and the dark young man noticed how untidy her grey hair was. Undoubtedly she too had spent a very trying day.

"As you know I never liked Gordon," a vehemence was added to her tone and her voice rose a little, "I didn't want her to marry him—neither did her father. Of course, I know it's easy to be wise after the event, but John and I both felt that he had not enough experience of life. Young love is a very fine thing—and I know you are happy, my dear—but it is a very difficult thing to keep going—and I felt that Gordon wouldn't keep anything going except himself."

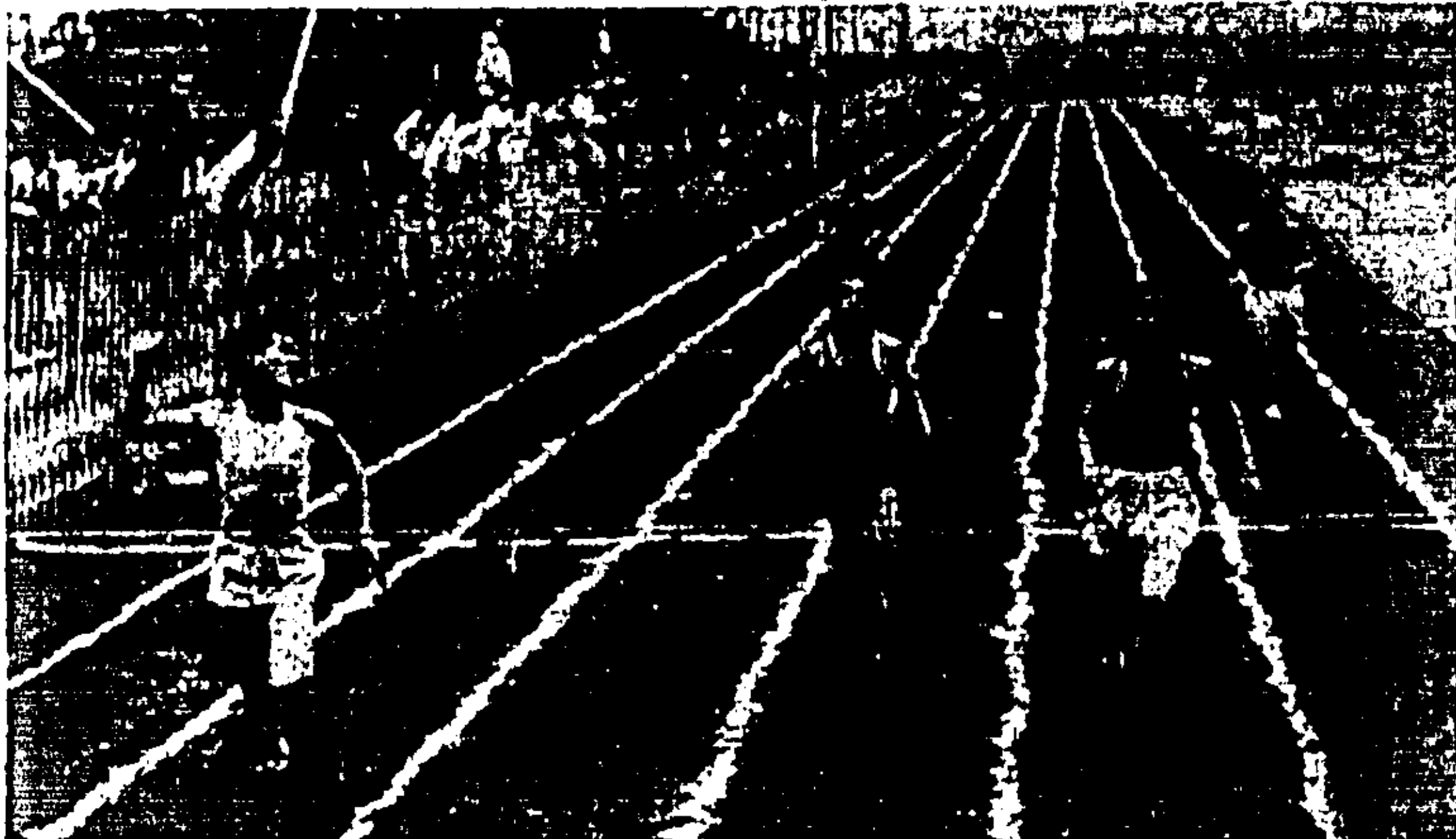
"He was selfish." Again came the cool voice.

"Selfish!" the old lady repeated very emphatically, and the dark young man put his paper down. He wanted to see her more particularly, but he could not see much except a long straight nose and a somewhat narrow head, because only a quarter of her profile was presented to him.





One of the items in the gymnastic display at King's College Sports.



The finish of the 200-metres sprint at King's College Sports.



A close thing in the 110-metres high hurdles at King's College Sports. Winner was Lew Shui-pui.



Ng Kwok-hung, who won the Senior Shot Put at King's College Sports with 34 feet.

CABBAGES AND KINGS

Big Target

"Ah!" sighed the golfing "rabbit," mopping his brow. "What couldn't I do to a bottle of beer!" "Hit it," muttered his caddie.

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Cheers

"Ladies and gentlemen," said the chairman, "we've had a grand lecture about thrift—verra weel reasoned. Ah'll ask ye noo tae give the speaker, twa hearty cheers."

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Angel Children

"Well, it's rather hard to explain what love is," said the Genial Aunt to her niece, "but I suppose it was love that made your daddy marry your mummy."

"Oh no, it wasn't," said the angel child, whose father was a whimsical journalist. "He only wanted some silly kids to give silly names to and write about in his personality columns."

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Intelligence Test

"Who would have thought that Rosemary Maitland, the debutante, whose beauty charmed London society, was in reality the daughter of an old Kashmiri boatman, plying his trade on the remote Dahl lake?"—Blurb for a novel.

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No, don't tell me.
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The author!

* * *

He Was the Detonator

Firemen and an A.R.P. squad turned out at a New Southgate factory when—but read on—A rounded and sinister package—How came it, and when, and where from?

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They thought of explosions, and froze:

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And then she seizes her opportunity. She speaks.

In a low-pitched voice, she says, "Oh wah wah hi."
"I beg your pardon?" asks the man.

"Oh wah wah hi"—low-pitched, glamorous, thrilling.

He bends closer. He is fascinated, intoxicated. The blood is pounding in all his pulses. He kneels with an ear to her lips.

"I said," she whispers, "oh, that's all right."

And from that moment he is hers.



Mothers!

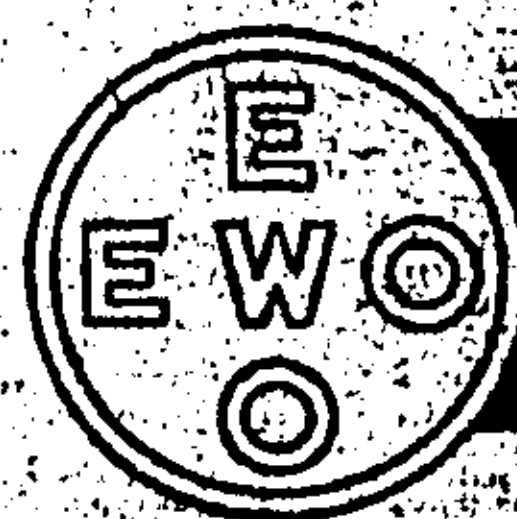
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The Interport Hockey practice last Sunday. Miss G. White (the Interport right back) about to relieve pressure from the schoolgirls attack. Also in the picture are Miss E. Watson, Miss Moss, Mrs. Wilmot and Mrs. I. Stone.



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Ng Kwok-hung winning the Senior High Jump at King's College Sports.



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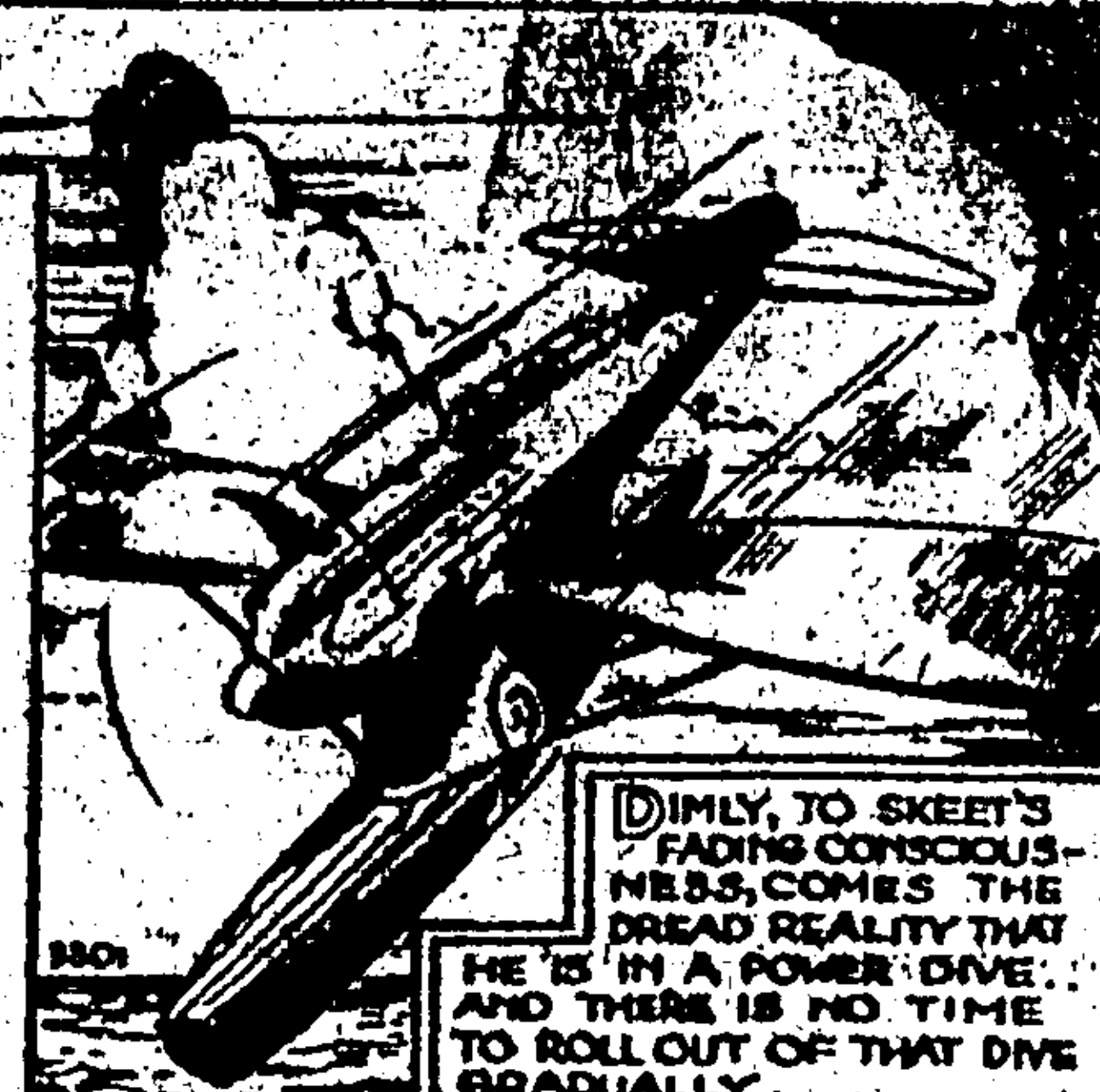
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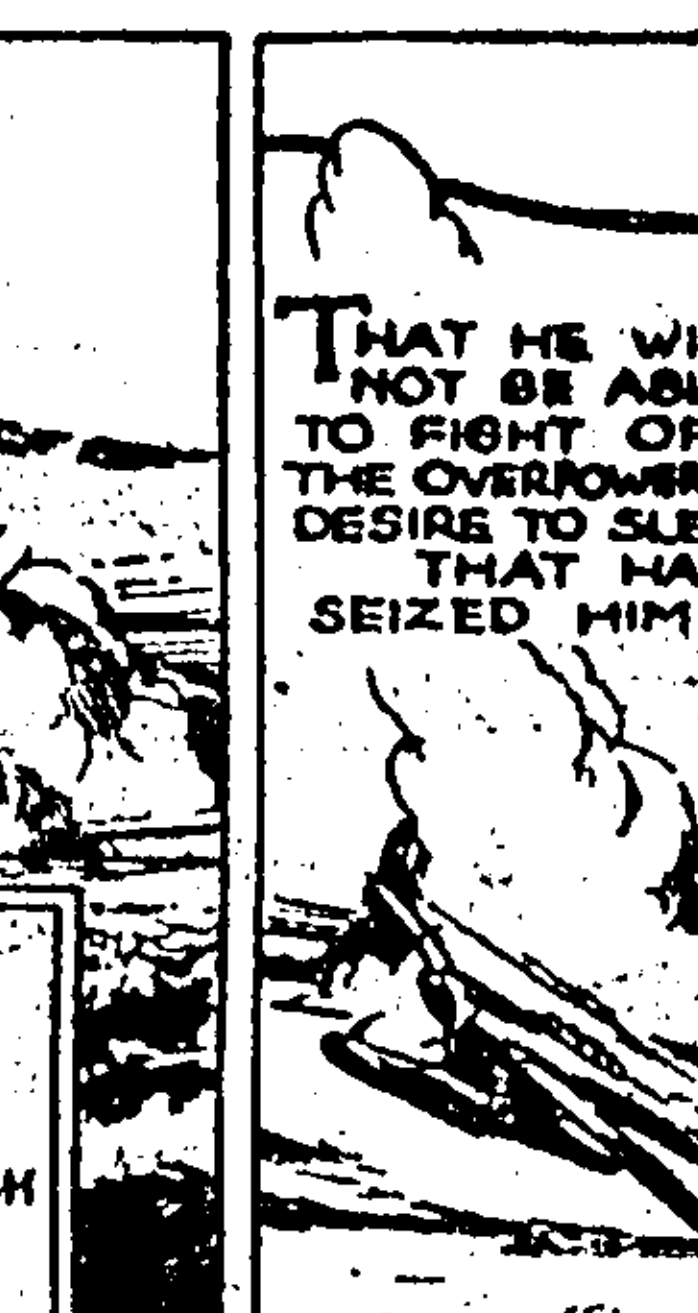
SOMETHING STRANGE IS HAPPENING IN THE CABIN OF THE AMPHIBIAN. HANK THE PILOT IS ASLEEP! BETTY HAS DOXED OFF AND JERRY IS GASPING FOR AIR! SKEETS GRABS THE DUAL CONTROL WHEEL WHILE HE DESPERATELY TRIES TO PUZZLE OUT WHY EVERYONE IS ASLEEP. WHY HE, HIMSELF, IS TRYING SO HARD TO KEEP AWAKE... AND THE SHIP DIVES STEEPLY!



DIMLY TO SKEETS' FADING CONSCIOUSNESS COMES THE DREAD REALITY THAT HE IS IN A POWER DIVE. AND THERE IS NO TIME TO ROLL OUT OF THAT DIVE GRADUALLY.

HE MUST ROLL OUT OF IT QUICKLY, OR CRASH IN THE SEA! BUT WILL THE WINGS OF THIS HEAVY CRAFT STAND UNDER THE STRAIN?

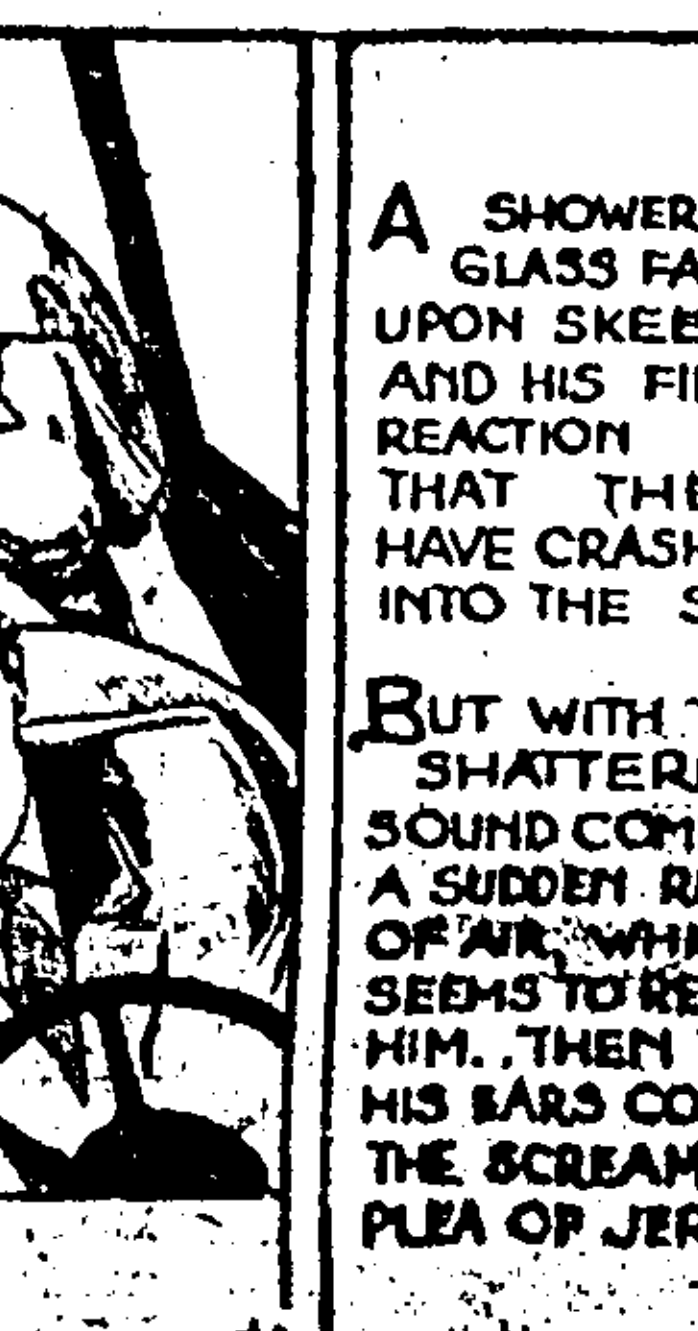
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BUT AS SKEETS PULLS THE SHIP OUT OF THE DIVE THE WINGS HOLD... AND EVEN AS SKEETER REALIZES THAT THE PLANE HAS COME THROUGH SAFELY... HE REALIZES ALSO

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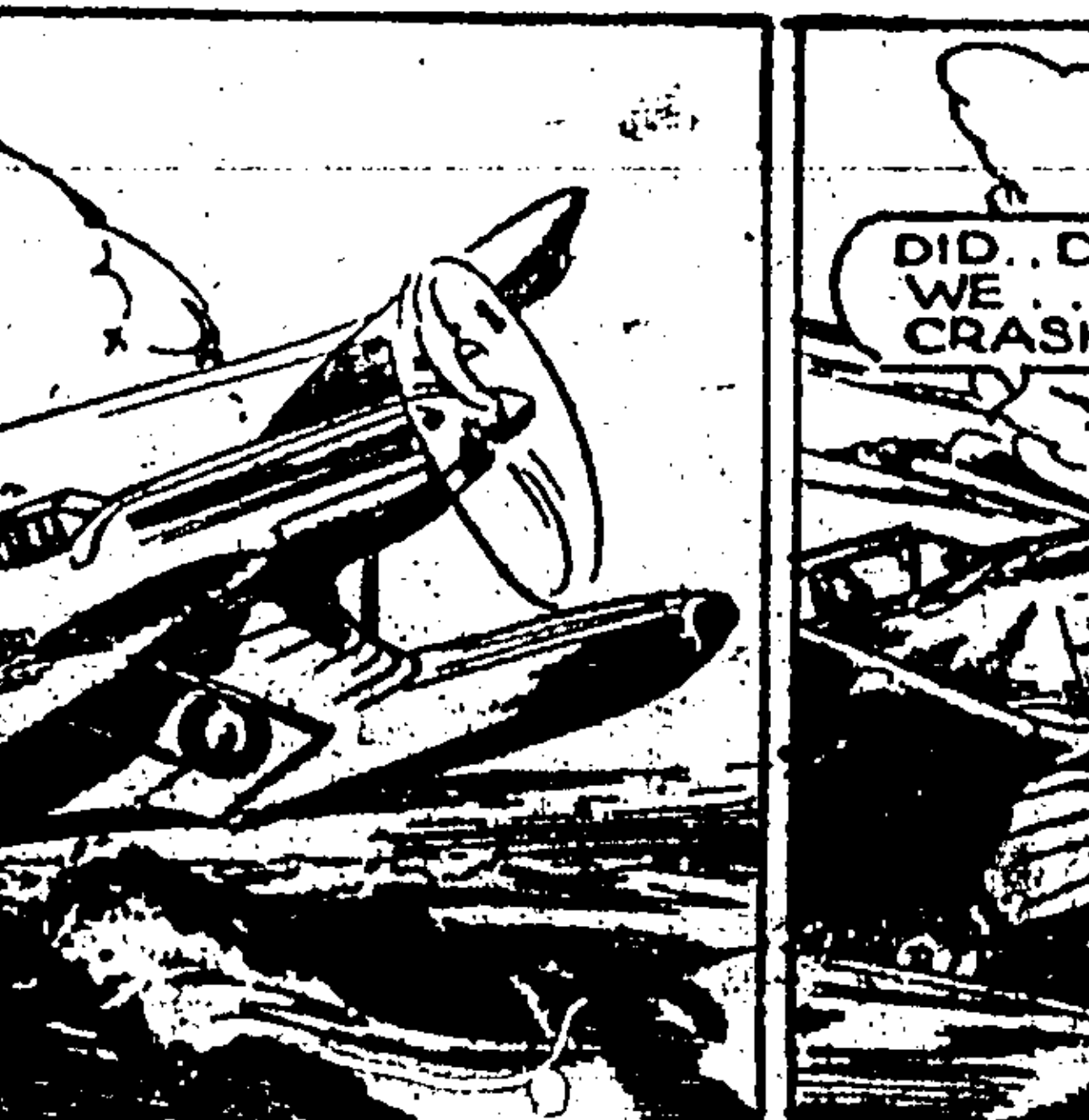
HALF CONSCIOUS, SKEETER BRINGS THE AMPHIBIAN OUT OF THE POWER DIVE JUST IN TIME! BUT THE WILL TO SLEEP IS PULLING AT HIS BRAIN, WITH A THOUSAND INVISIBLE FINGERS. IN ANOTHER MINUTE HE WILL BE ASLEEP AT THE WHEEL, WHILE THE PILOTLESS CRAFT WILL CRASH INTO THE SEA! SUDDENLY TWO HANDS GRAB SKEETER'S SHOULDERS... AND JERRY SHRILLS...



SKEETS! WHAT'S TH' MATTER? WAKE UP!

A SHOWER OF GLASS FALLS UPON SKEETS AND HIS FIRST REACTION IS THAT THEY HAVE CRASHED INTO THE SEA! BUT WITH THE SHATTERING SOUND COMES A SUDDEN RUSH OF AIR WHICH SEEMS TO REVEAL HIM. THEN TO HIS EARS COMES THE SCREAMING PLEA OF JERRY

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Franco Galician Division Welcomed In Valencia

STREETS LINED WITH CHEERING CROWDS

Valencia, To-day.

The Nationalists marched into Valencia yesterday through gaily decorated streets lined with cheering crowds.

The occupation was carried out by the Galician division.

An official communique issued by General Franco's headquarters at Salamanca stated that 42 Republican aeroplanes surrendered on Wednesday.

On the Valencia front, nearly 15,000 prisoners were captured and two complete brigades and six battalions surrendered.

In the southern zone, 70,000 prisoners were taken.

Many thousands were taken prisoners on the Toledo front, and in one sector alone 10,000 were counted.

Enormous quantities of war material have been taken over by the Nationalist forces.—Reuter.

Madrid Getting Back To Normal

Madrid, To-day.

The energetic measures of the Nationalist military authorities have resulted in the restoration of normal conditions in the principal parts of the city.

Railways, trams, buses and undergrounds are operating, their personnel having been placed under military orders.

The military Governor, Espinosa de Los Monteros, has imposed martial law on the city and the whole province, and has ordered the immediate surrender of all weapons.

The welfare fund for the city has now reached the sum of seven million pesetas, and food supplies have arrived in quantities so that it is planned to re-open the markets on Monday and resume normal sale. Twenty-four restaurants have re-opened.

One commodity which is still conspicuously lacking is tobacco.

PAPER MONEY

The Governor of the Bank of Spain, has arrived in Madrid with two lorries filled with Nationalist paper money to the extent of 12,000,000 pesetas as well as much small coin.

The banks opened yesterday and did a large business in exchanging Republican money for new money, a limit being placed at 100 pesetas per person. To-day, however, this will be increased to 2,000 pesetas, so that in a few days all currency will be Nationalist.

Night life has also resumed; 12 theatres, three variety theatres and 34 cinemas having opened.

Quiet and order prevails, not a single shot having been fired since the occupation. Newspapers are also appearing, most being distributed free.

RADIO FOR ALL!

Owners of radios have been ordered to place their sets in open windows and turn them on at full volume so that all in the streets

can hear the latest Government orders.

Children can be seen in the streets of the University district playing at war with discarded guns and bayonets.

The extensive buildings of University City present an aspect of desolation and destruction, with broken windows, demolished walls, shell holes and abandoned trenches.

DANGER ZONE

The Falangists have erected a cross on a heap of debris which was once the University laboratory in memory of a number of Nationalists who were killed here when the building was mined.

Because of live bombs and grenades lying about, the University area is still dangerous, one man having lost his life yesterday when a bomb exploded as he was collecting firewood in a trench.

Main Nationalist activity is concentrated on food distribution, kitchens having been set up in squares and on street corners.

Barricades are being removed and monuments freed of their covering of sandbags. The statue of Don Quixote in the Plaza de España still bears a white flag at the tip of the lance.—Trans-Ocean.

BRITISH CRUISER TAKES ITALIANS TO SAFETY

London, To-day.

Some 160 Italians, prisoners of the loyalists, were taken by the British cruiser, Sussex, from Valencia to Palma.

Two other British cruisers took aboard 50 political refugees on Wednesday and 100 on Thursday at Gandia. They were Spaniards who fled for political reasons.

Negotiations are under way regarding the return of 70 British prisoners in the hands of Franco.—Trans-Ocean.

Petty Officer Charles Joseph Rosbrook, attached to H. M. S. Medway, announced this morning his forthcoming marriage to Mrs. Raya Wolff, widow, of No. 42, Kennedy Road, Hong Kong.

A German merchant, Johann Grodmann, was this morning cautioned by Mr. R. Edwards when charged with entering the Colony without a valid passport on Wednesday.

ANTI-BRITISH PROPAGANDA BY JAPANESE

London, To-day.

Mr. Robert Morgan (Conservative) asked in the House of Commons yesterday whether the Government had received reports regarding anti-British propaganda now being stimulated among the newly-formed "regional governments" in China by the Japanese.

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, replied that the Foreign Secretary had seen such propaganda but "had not yet received official confirmation." — Reuter.

TERRORISM IN PALESTINE

Jerusalem, To-day.

Terrorism in Palestine is continuing.

One Jewish constable was shot and seriously wounded by Arabs in Haifa.

The village Sheikh at Burga and another Arab inhabitant were killed by Arabs. A wounded Arab was found near Jaffa.

The British military authorities have increased their searching actions and arrested in Jerusalem, Haifa and in the Samaria and Galilee districts, 41 Arabs, including 20 for offences against the curfew order in force throughout Palestine after six p.m. outside town boundaries. — Trans-Ocean.

"ARYANISATION" OF BUSINESS

Berlin, To-day.

Some 565 formerly Jewish-owned enterprises have been "Aryanized" in Berlin since May, 1938, police headquarters announce.

Small firms of a value up to 30,000 marks were sold at a total price of five million marks, 120 middle-sized at a total price of 5.4 millions and 117 large enterprises of value of 100,000 marks and more at a total price of 46.6 millions. — Trans-Ocean.

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ANOTHER PRIME FOLLY?

It is an astonishing thing, in the face of all that has been happening in Europe in the last three weeks, with Poland already initiated into the first stages of Nazi high-pressure undermining tactics, that it is possible for Mr. R. A. Butler to get up in the House of Commons and tell a questioner bluntly that Britain has no intention of associating herself with the Franco-Soviet defensive alliance. It is the more odd since there have been signs that the present British Government was beginning to regret its frequent rebuffs to Soviet advances. The folly of this attitude scarcely needs emphasis. It seems impossible to believe that any representative British group, except perhaps the select inner circle of the Government, would wilfully throw the Soviet back upon a policy of isolation from European affairs, for, no other reason than prejudice or some mysterious fear of Bolshevism—or of offending the susceptibilities of the anti-Cominternites.

It is true that Mr. Hudson has been to Moscow and seems well pleased with the economic results, but if peace is to be saved we shall need political and even military co-operation as well. It is, in many ways, a favourable moment to press for closer relations with Soviet Russia. In recent months the Russian Government seems to have recovered from the brainstorm which led to the terrible purges. It is concentrating more on discipline and efficiency and less on political dogma. Having learnt by experience what others might have concluded by reason—that it will not improve production to put the fear of Stalin into every responsible official—the Soviet Government is now turning to more practical measures. The result of this change is already evident. There has been an increase in production and, more important, an improvement in the quality of goods produced.

Soviet industry seems at last to be well on its way to recovery. Special attention is being given to the armaments industry, a matter which naturally interests the British Isles, for both in Europe and the Far East a strong Russia is a guarantee of peace.

That Russia's military strength is fully appreciated in Nazi Germany is proved by some remarkable extracts from speeches and articles by German military leaders recently collected by the French paper "L'Ordre." All agree, of course, that the Red Army is not only the greatest in existence but probably the greatest ever organised in the world. But according to Captain von Zeska, a German staff officer, its offensive strength is continually increasing: "Without any doubt, the Russian soldier is brave, stubborn, and tenacious." Commandant Schmettel, of the Air Ministry, wrote that "Russia is the only country which can remove its armaments industries out of range of air raids." The same writer believes that in 1940 Russia will be producing between 12,000 and 15,000 aeroplanes a year and that in the event of war it will be able to count upon an Air Force of 20,000 planes. The "Militar-Wochenblatt," the organ of the Ministry of War, stated that Russia to-day, beyond all doubt, possesses numerically the largest Air Force in the world." The same opinion was held by Captain Fischer von Poturzyn, of the Air Ministry, who added that behind this vast force stands an industry whose efficiency, at least in this domain, is uncontested." The official organ of the German Navy, "Nauticus," stated that Russia possesses "the largest submarine fleet in the world." It is possible, of course, that German writers exaggerate the numerical strength of Russia's forces in order to find an excuse for their own, but they would hardly praise the offensive power of the Red Army or the efficiency of the Russian Air Force unless they believed it to be true. And a country strong enough for Germany to fear as an enemy is certainly strong enough for Britain to welcome as a friend.

A.R.P.

The production of one plan after another for protecting us against attacks from the air, if it achieves nothing else, tends to steady the nerves. A quite different psychological result might reasonably have been anticipated. But the actual effect has been to make people talk about the various forms of A.R.P. very much as they talk about macintoshes and umbrellas in rainy weather. This is an attitude of indifference which Sir John Anderson is now trying to shake.

From steel shelters the Ministry of Civil Defence has turned its attention to the provision of refuges by strengthening basements. Standard sets of steel struts have been provided, and they are being tested thoroughly. Houses with strengthened basements have been demolished by explosives and the results have been reassuring. Another necessary measure is a plan by the Ministry of Health for organising the hospitals to deal with war-time conditions. This work is not being thrown upon the local authorities but is being undertaken directly by the Ministry, which is to put special officers in various parts of the country.

SPECIAL CABINET MEETING

New Development In Poland Discussed

London, To-day.

Surprise was caused by the unexpected holding of the Cabinet yesterday, believed to have been decided upon following the Prime Minister's dinner to the King the previous night.

At the conclusion of the Cabinet meeting, Ministers who have been most closely concerned with foreign affairs, remained behind for further discussion.

Complete secrecy is being maintained regarding the subject of the Cabinet, writes Reuter's diplomatic correspondent.

There is good reason to believe, however, that the Government remains determined to maintain and develop its efforts to prevent further aggression.

In the last 48 hours Government opinion has appreciably hardened, especially through the nature of reports from abroad.

TALKS PROCEEDING

In view of the prevailing secrecy, many reports are circulating about the form any action might take, but such reports must be regarded as speculation.

In the meantime, consultations in various capitals, particularly London and Paris, are proceeding.

The Polish Ambassador was among the callers at the Foreign Office yesterday and had a conversation there after the Cabinet meeting.

COLONEL BECK'S VISIT

A full programme of official conversations and social events has been arranged for the Polish Foreign Minister, Col. Joseph Beck, who is arriving in London on April 3.

The official programme terminates on April 6, when Col. Beck may return to Poland if circumstances require. Otherwise he will extend his visit over the Easter holidays.—Reuter.

INFORMATION ON POLAND

London, To-day.

A lobby correspondent writes that yesterday's Cabinet specially reviewed information relating to Poland.

It is gathered that information did not prove to be altogether conclusive, and it is hoped that the visit of Col. Beck may serve to clarify the position.

At the same time Ministers are known to be unanimous and determines on April 6, when Col. Beck is expected to arrive.

Any delay in issue of the declaration is taken as due particularly to the close consultations with France which are necessary before the final draft can be issued.

STATEMENT TO-DAY

An important statement is expected in the House of Commons this morning (Friday).

Meanwhile the absence of any Opposition query after questions in the House of Commons yesterday gives the measure of the hardening of Parliamentary opinion which was apparent last night.

All parties wish the Government to make their declaration as soon as possible, and none desires to hamper them in the preparatory task.—Reuter.

EXAMINATION OF SITUATION

Trans-Ocean adds that it is believed, in connexion with the expected Cabinet meeting, that the British consultations with other

LABOUR CALL FOR ACTION

London, To-day.

A declaration issued by the Federation of International Labour calls upon the Governments of Britain, France, Russia and Poland immediately to enter into mutual guarantees for full and unqualified support in the event of further aggressions by Italy and Germany.—Reuter.

Powers concerning the proposed declaration against aggression have now reached a stage at which renewed examination of the whole international situation is considered necessary.

Prior to the Cabinet meeting Mr. Chamberlain had a long talk with the Deputy Labour leader, Mr. Arthur Greenwood, and the leader of the Liberal Opposition, Sir Archibald Sinclair.

Although Mr. Chamberlain previously intimated his intention of making a declaration on the subject in the House of Commons on Monday, Parliamentary circles reckon with the possibility of such a declaration being made this week.

BECK VISIT TO LONDON MAY BE DECISIVE

Warsaw, To-day.

Emphasis was placed in the whole of the Polish press last night on the importance of the forthcoming visit to London of the Foreign Minister, Colonel Beck.

Observers discount the rumour that he may stop in Berlin en route to London. Such action, it is suggested, could only appear to be the result of German pressure and would compromise the Government's liberty of action in foreign affairs.

Foreshadowing that the week ending with Colonel Beck's return from London will be "decisive," the independent newspaper "Wieszczyk Warszawski" comments:

"Poland's position in Europe is of the utmost importance at the moment, and the world is watching her moves."

LONG CONFERENCE

President Moscicki had a three-hour conference with the principal opposition leaders last evening. It is stated they discussed internal politics.

Contributions to the internal defence loan announced earlier in the week now exceed £1,500,000. Full amount desired is £48,000,000.—Reuter.

NO ECONOMIC MEASURES AGAINST REICH

London, To-day.

GREAT Britain has no intention of taking economic measures against Germany.

This was announced in the House of Commons yesterday by the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain.

Mr. Chamberlain was replying to a question from Geoffrey Mander, Liberal member for Wolverhampton.

Mr. Mander asked if the Prime Minister would consider the advisability of taking immediate action, in conjunction with the Dominions and friendly States, to withhold from Germany materials possessed by them essential to German rearmament.

Mr. Chamberlain replied: "No, Sir."—Reuter.

YANKEE CLIPPER AT LISBON

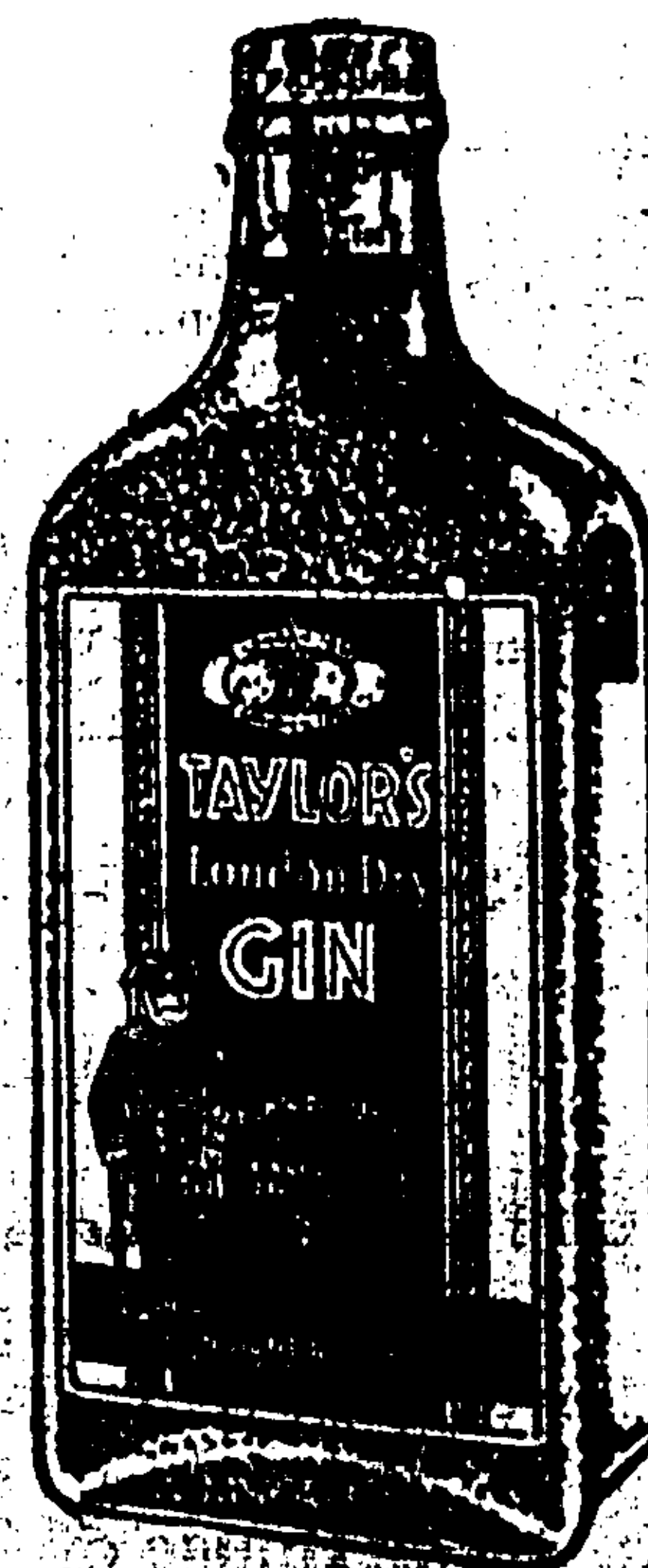
Lisbon, To-day.

The Yankee Clipper, which left the Azores yesterday morning, arrived here at 4.12 p.m.

The Clipper is on a survey flight across the South Atlantic and is bound for Southampton.—Reuter.

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FRANCO-RUMANIAN AGREEMENT

Paris, To-day.

A new commercial agreement between France and Rumania was signed last evening.

Under the agreement France doubles her purchases of Rumanian petrol and reduces customs duties on Rumanian agricultural produce.—Reuter.

CHINESE CLAIM RECAPTURE OF FENGHSIN

Siushiu, To-day.

Chinese forces have recaptured Fenghsin, 23 miles west of Nanchang.

The Chinese attacks were carried out in a heavy rain and under withering Japanese fire. After several hours of bloody fighting, the Japanese were scattered.

The Japanese column moving west from Nanchang with Changsha as the objective is held to the north-east of Kaoan, about 40 miles south-west of Nanchang.

Further losses were yesterday inflicted on the Japanese at Niu-hang, opposite Nanchang, and at Sungfow, 20 miles west.

Heavy casualties have been suffered by both sides in the ten-day battle at Wuning. The contending forces are still locked in a grim struggle in the heights to the north-east of the city.

A spokesman of the South-west Headquarters claims that 15,000 casualties have been inflicted upon the Japanese since they started the offensive on Nanchang about a fortnight ago.—Central News.

KING HOLDS A COUNCIL

London, To-day.

Yesterday morning the King held a Council at Buckingham Palace and later gave an au-

Negotiations Opening On Tuesday

London, To-day.

M. Daladier's speech and the impending visit of the Polish Foreign Minister, Colonel Beck, to London form the main subject of political news and comment in the British press.

The "Times," which is devoting much space to developments in Poland publishes the diary of Colonel Beck's visit.

No consultations have been arranged for Monday, the day of his arrival. On Tuesday, he will call at the Foreign Office to see Lord Halifax, afterwards attending a luncheon by Lord and Lady Halifax. Later in the day, he will visit the House of Commons where he will have an interview with the Prime Minister. In the evening he will attend a banquet given in his honour at the Foreign Office.

Further conferences have been arranged for Wednesday morning, at the conclusion of which Colonel Beck will go to Windsor Castle where he will be received by the King and Queen.

On Wednesday evening, the Polish Ambassador in London, Count Raczynski, is giving a banquet which will be attended by members of the British Government.

Before leaving on Thursday to return to Warsaw, Colonel Beck will travel to Portsmouth to inspect units of the British fleet.

As regards the speech of the French Premier, the "Times" underscores those sentences in which Daladier expressed his desire to settle Italo-French differences by way of consultations. France, it insists, has left the door wide

open for negotiations and merely wants Italy, if she has any claims, to say precisely in what they consist.

The "Times" urges the British Government to go ahead with its diplomatic programme.

"Everybody has grown profoundly mistrustful of oratorical diplomacy."

SITUATION ON RECENT CONSULTATIONS

London, To-day.

It is generally assumed that in fixing the foreign affairs debate for Monday, the Prime Minister hopes to be in a position to make a statement then on the consultations which had been proceeding with other governments on issues arising out of recent events, and which it is also supposed were under re-examination at yesterday morning's special meeting of the Cabinet, which lasted two and a quarter hours.

In consequence of the unexpected summoning of the Cabinet, the Premier was unable to fulfil his engagement to address that Central Council of the National Union of Conservative and Unionist Associations which held its annual meeting in London yesterday.—British Wireless.

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Universal Service Not Yet Finally Ruled Out

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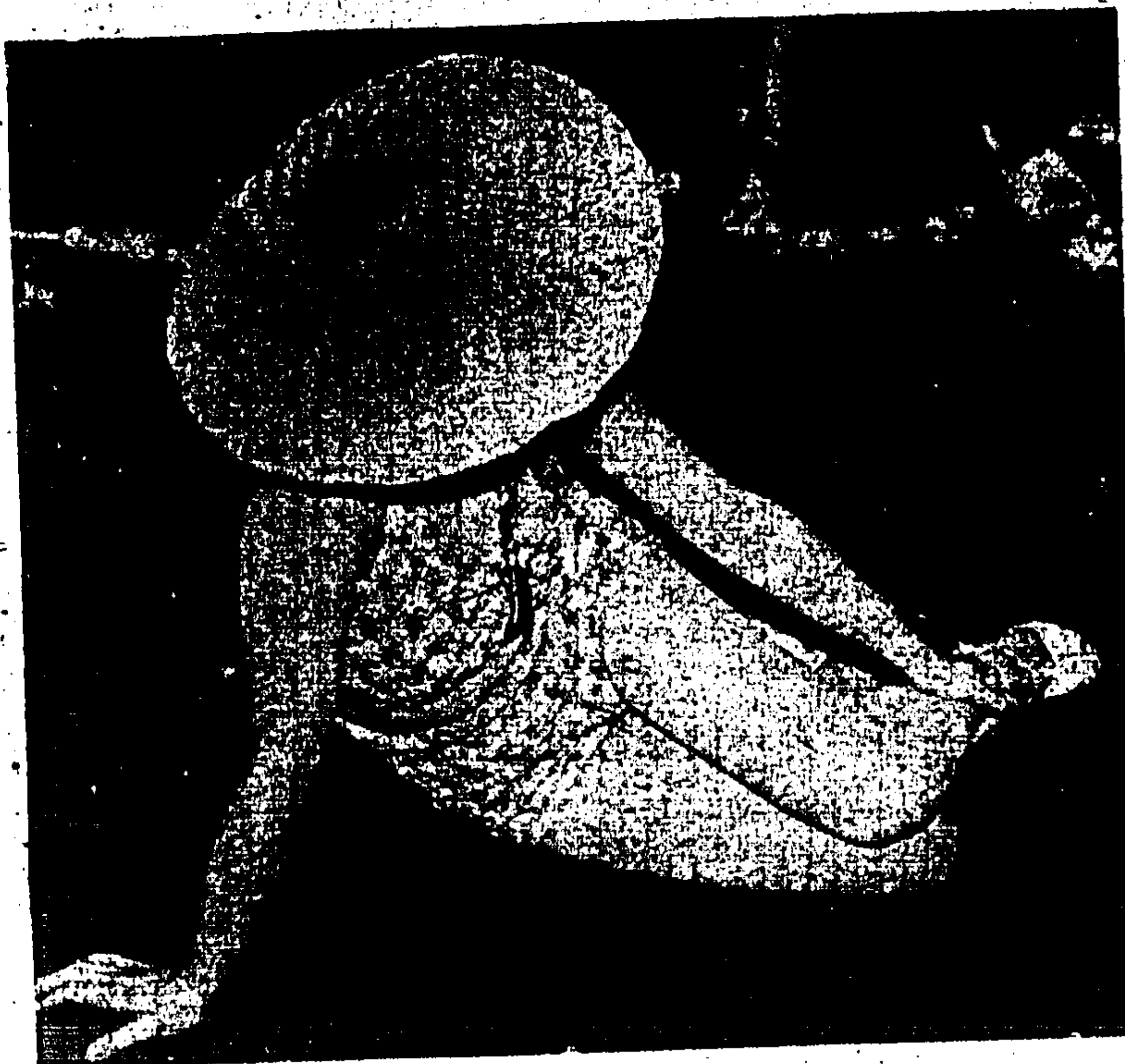
Further questions relating to defence matters were addressed to the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in the House of Commons yesterday.

Asked if he had finally ruled out the possibility of universal service, Mr. Chamberlain replied amidst laughter: "Nothing is final in this world."

Replying to Lieut.-Comdr. R. T. H. Fletcher (Labour, Nuneaton), the Premier said the matter for stimulating recruitment for the Regular Army was under consideration.

Lieut.-Comdr. Fletcher could rest assured, Mr. Chamberlain said, that every aspect of the present situation had been and was being kept under review by the Committee of Imperial Defence.—Reuter.

News Snack Bar



This young lady is not camera-shy. She is wearing one of the new beach fashions for My Lady, at a London store.

STAY-IN-STRIKE ENDS

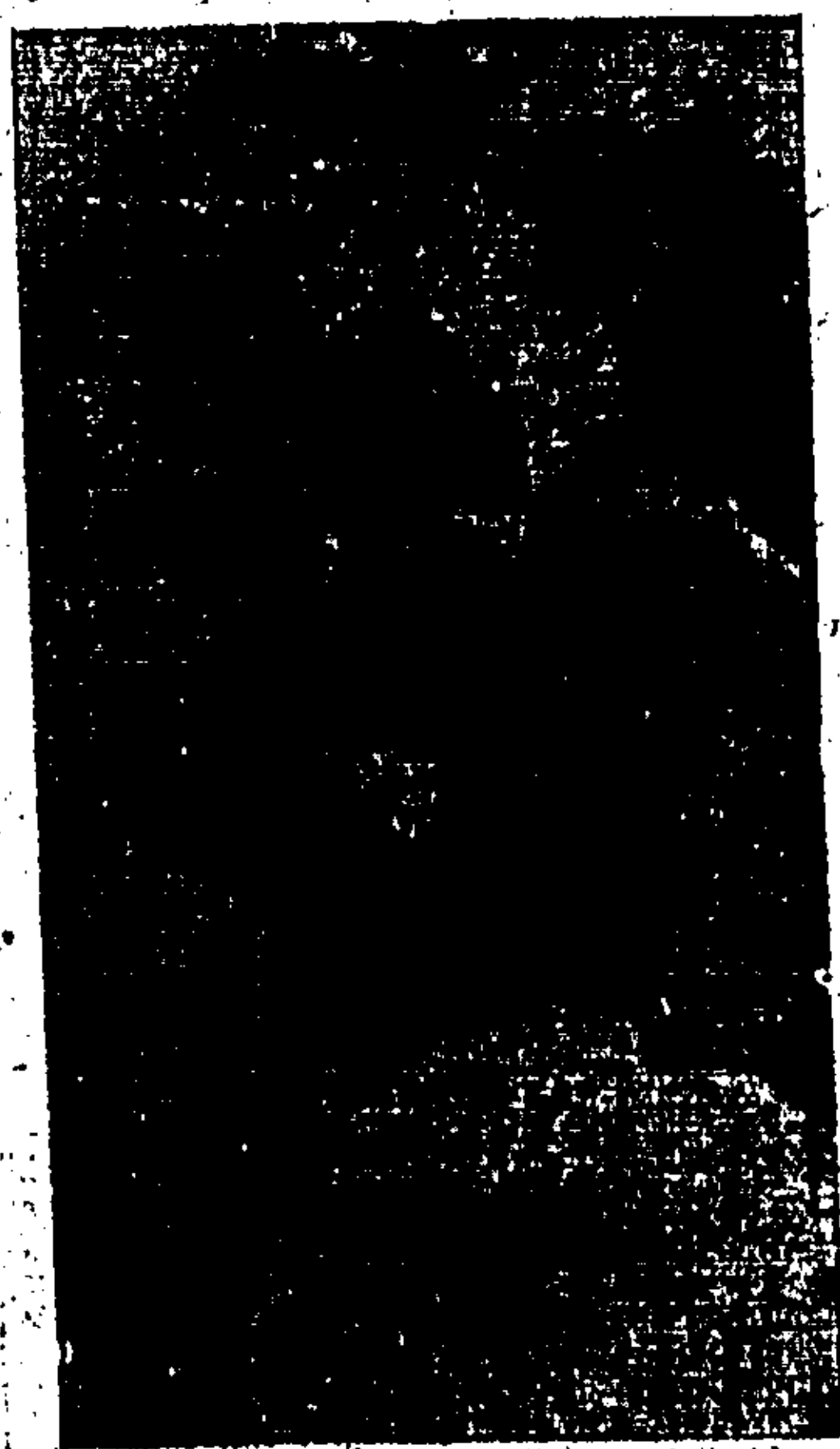
A stay-in-in-strike of miners at Brynteg Colliery, Neath, Glam., ended with the men leaving the pit of their own accord, having been underground for more than 50 hours.

AIRCRAFT WORKS STRIKE

Urgent contracts are being held up by an unofficial strike of 600 workers at Blackburn's aircraft works, Brough, near Hull.

NOVEL PORTRAIT OF PREMIER

A drawing of Mr. Chamberlain, done with the ends of 3,000 burnt matches instead of pencil, is exhibited in Worthing Museum.



THE GIRL HE LEFT BEHIND HIM

The boy is "Private" Jim Beasley, his sweetheart, the girl, is Daphne Jones. They're kissing good-bye before the troopship Ettrick left Southampton for Hong Kong. They're both aged three, but she's promised to wait for him.

PRESENTED FROM COURT

Heard in London Police Courts: Man at Tottenham: My wife's chief pleasure in life is grumbling. She even grumbles if I dip my bread in my soup.

Same Court, another man: My wife has been different towards me ever since the young policeman stopped her for a traffic lights offence.

Woman at East Ham: I am not at all clear about what happened. I know my husband threatened to strike me. And I know that a few minutes later I was treating him for a black eye.

Wife, same Court: My husband always locks the door before he hits me.

INJURED MAN CARRIED THROUGH TUNNEL

To reach an injured man who fell 40ft from a roof to the railway line at Bootle, Lanes, an ambulance party had to climb a wall, scramble down an embankment and make their way for 300 yards through a tunnel. The man, John Melia, 27, a labourer, of Canal-street, Bootle, was carried on a stretcher through the tunnel, and died in hospital from a spinal injury. He was repairing the roof when it is believed, a ladder slipped.

PAINTING STOLEN FROM LIBRARY

An oil painting of Fairfax House, Putney, by Jane K. Humphreys, has been cut from its frame and stolen from the Central Library, Hammersmith.

CROWD AT SOHO FIRE

Police were called to control a large crowd which gathered when fire broke out in premises in Moor-street, Soho, occupied by a firm of musical instrument dealers.

HOLIDAYS FOR THEIR TENANTS

It is often said that London people do not know who lives next door to them.

Tenants of the Guinness Trust Buildings will have a chance to get to know their neighbours by spending a week's holiday at a home near Newhaven, Sussex, which the Trust is building their tenants. It stands near a seventeenth-century house which is reputed to be haunted.

The scheme will enable mothers to have a week's complete rest from their daily household toil.

Families will be able to enjoy seaside holidays at 30s. a week for adults and 20s. for children between ten and fifteen, at a spot only nine miles from Brighton.

There is a central dining-room in the home which is capable of seating 100 people.

7-WEEK PIT FIRE IS OUT

After seven weeks, a fire in William Pit, Whitehaven, Cumberland—oldest under-the-sea mine in Britain—is reported by an exploration party to be out.

MR. LESLIE F. McCALLUM

In announcing the decision of Mr. Leslie F. McCallum to stand as Independent Conservative candidate for Gloucester at the next election, an agency described him "an ex-monk." Mr. McCallum wrote to point out that he was never a monk. He adds: "I think the misconception arises from the fact that I have been English teacher to students at a Belgian priory."

HIS PRIDE—TAX-PAYING

Conscientious to the last concerning his income tax dues. That was Mr. John Barwick Hodge, B.A., of Castellain-road, Maida Vale, London. In his £14,275 will, he desired his sister to make no claim for any moneys due to him from the Inland Revenue, as he had always been willing to pay full tax as a matter of civic duty.

NO SUNDAY PUNCH AND JUDY . . . !

Young visitors to Felixstowe, east coast holiday resort, must not watch beach Punch and Judy shows on Sundays. The Council has decided to ban Sunday performances. But they can play golf on the Council's own links, or a game of bowls, or listen to band performances in the pavilion. . . . "And for the life of me I can see no harm in the Punch and Judy man giving his show on Sundays," commented Councillor Neil Byrne, who opposed the resolution.

£4,000,000 FOR PHONES

Schemes of underground cable construction, costing £4,000,000 for the provision of new trunk lines are announced by Sir Walter Womersley, Assistant Postmaster-General.

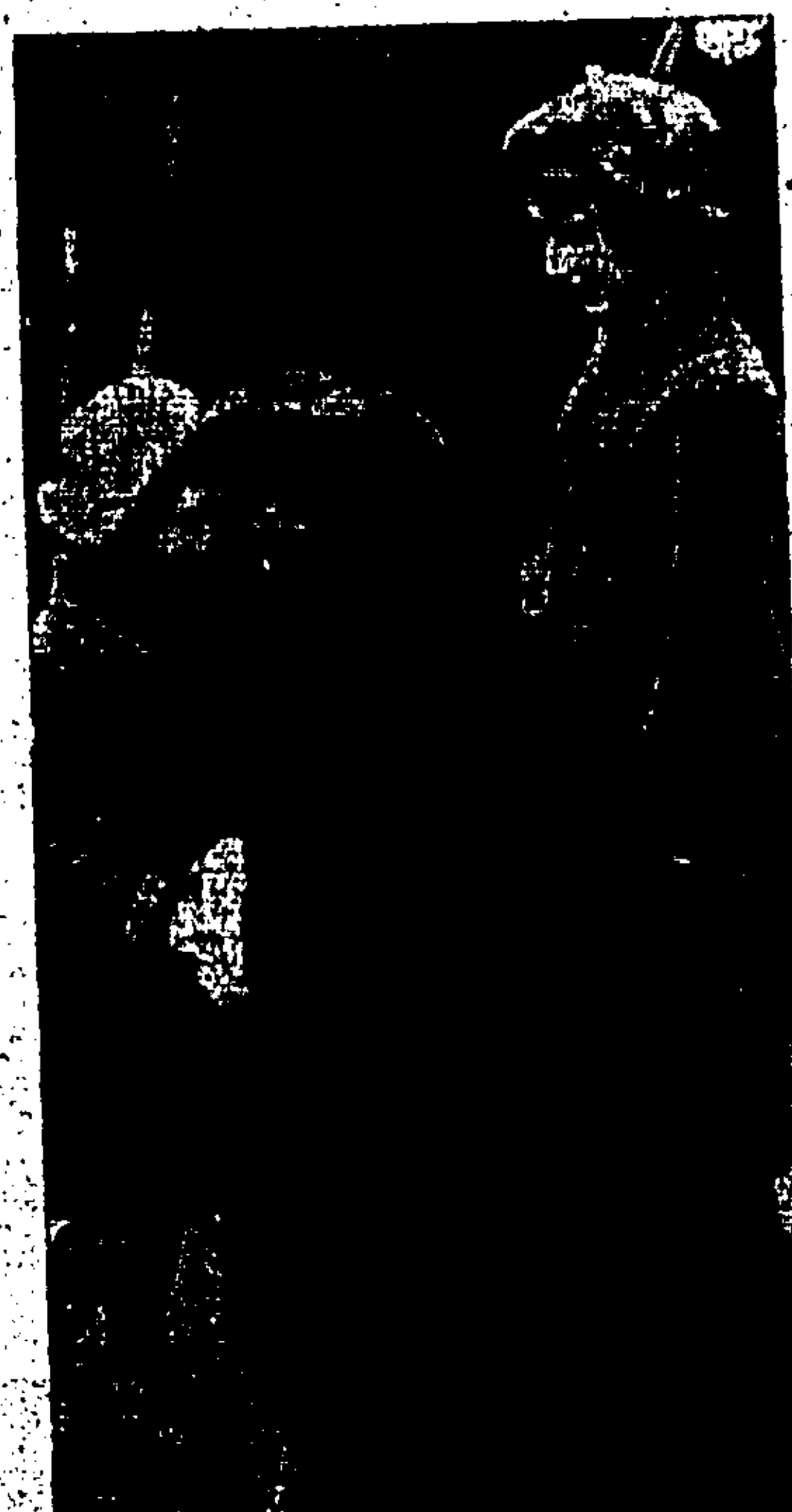
The new cables being laid, include circuits between Newcastle and Carlisle; Salisbury and Bristol and Exeter; London and Hastings; Hull and Gainsborough; Ipswich, Newmarket and Norwich; Inverness and Wick; Wick and Thurso; and from Belfast to Carrickfergus, Larne and Downpatrick.

KILLED BY MOSQUITO BITE

George Henry Lawrence, nurseryman, of Taplow, Bucks, was bitten by a mosquito on the right cheek. The infection spread to the base of the brain and Lawrence died. Accidental death was the inquest verdict.

BELGIUM SALVATION ARMY COMMAND

Col. Mary Booth, second daughter of the late Gen. Bramwell Booth and niece of Gen. Evangeline Booth, has been appointed to the command of the Salvation Army in Belgium.



The Royal Princesses accompanied the King and Queen to the wedding at Brompton Parish Church of their mother's niece, Miss C. Bowes-Lyon, to Mr. Kenneth Harrington. More than a thousand guests were expected and special arrangements were made to cope with the huge crowd. Photo shows the two little Princesses greeted on their arrival at the church.

"OH -- DARTS!"

LADIES and Gentlemen, — Let us discuss the phenomenon of darts. "Phenomenon," I know, sounds very like a public speech. So I have just now looked up Roget's Thesaurus, and find that what I really mean is a prodigy, a wonder, a miracle, freak, monster, curiosity, what no words can paint, annus mirabilis, and things of that kind, all of which call forth such suitable exclamations (according to Roget) as, who would have thought it, fancy, did you ever, you don't say so, well I'm blown.

The prodigy of darts is not new. It is no longer news that darts has swept like an epidemic through Bri-

tish society. What remains to be found is the how and the why. Has the darts boom passed its peak? My colleague, Paul Irwin, thinks it has, and says, "Now we can get on to the board in our local, whereas a few months ago we couldn't without queuing up. And now we can we don't want to."

That is a subjective view, but I have collected one or two signs of decadence that seem to bear it out — such as the invention of a dart-board which slowly revolves while play is in progress, to make the game more difficult.

Somebody else has invented a device that switches on a red light

when any player puts his foot beyond the borderline, known to dart-players as "the dockey."

Elaborations of that sort always seem to me a sign of decadence.

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Be that as it may, the expert opinion is that darts as a craze has not reached its peak. It is impossible to collect any sort of full statistics. Simply nobody knows how many leagues there are and how many people play in them.

It is known that entries for the biggest competition at present number 257,000, and the finalists who will throw their darts in the Agricultural Hall in London and the Free Trade Hall in Manchester somewhere about midsummer will have the satisfaction of throwing a niftier dart than a quarter of a million competitors.

In addition, there are county leagues, brewery leagues, club leagues, an infinity of friendly club and pub matches, matches between Press and Stage, and I don't know whether Law has yet played Medicine.

Essex is playing Surrey at the end of the month. In Yorkshire, dart-players are organising themselves into a country association. In the North of England they tell me there are Sunday School Leagues. But there is a pre-Creation chaos in it all. There is no uniformity either of rules or of dartboard size or numbering.

THE INVADER REPELLED.—Visitors to tide. Huge waves broke over the promenade.

When I telephoned some of these invade Mayfly organising officials, whose voices the suggest it w B.B.C. and television have made Perhaps famous it was worse than ringing digy to reco up the Home Office to ask about Wilfred ("W A.R.P., such an air of controversy, cartney, after strained nerves, and irritated feel- ce from the about 1935, a that sees ne friends' att peculiar that- ancient game Of course,

As to the these rules. There are four distances from the board, all frequent — 7ft. 6in., 8ft., 8ft. 6in., and 9ft., this last being the distance used in the biggest competition. But throughout the North of England they throw from 7ft. 6in., and at a smaller and different board.

In the North, the number at the top of the board is four; in the South it is 20. Both the North and South have a "double ring" (where scores count double), but the South has a "treble ring" as well, which the North hasn't. They have been playing darts like that in Lancashire and Yorkshire for 60 or 70 years. But the South says it is improper.

I first remember playing darts at the beginning of 1932 at the Sir Charles Napier, in the village of Spriggs Alley. It was then, on the whole, a game for villagers and workingclass pubs in London. At exactly what point did the craze begin?

If we could answer that question we might lay a finger on the how and why. At some point a proletarian and village game began to

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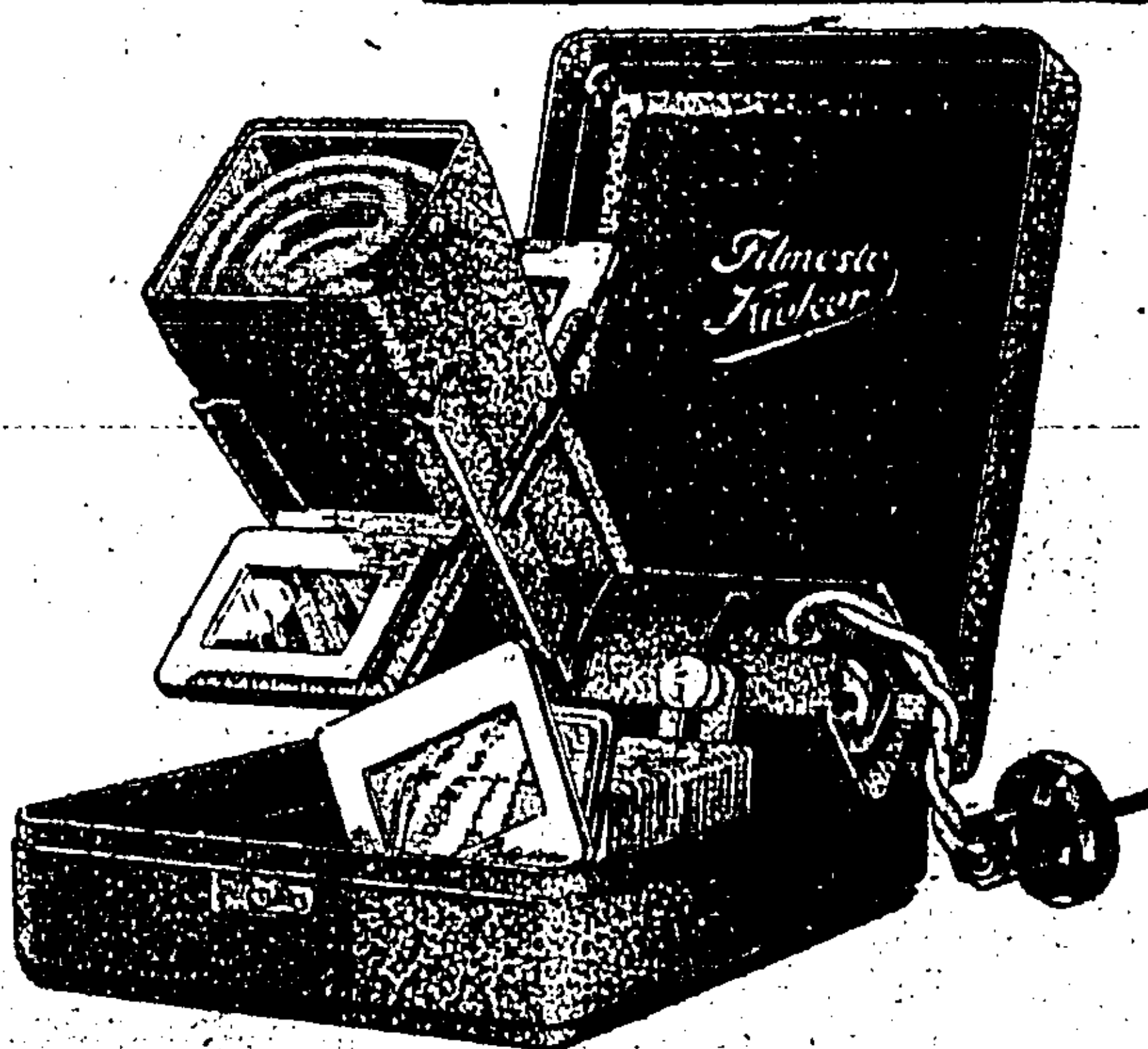
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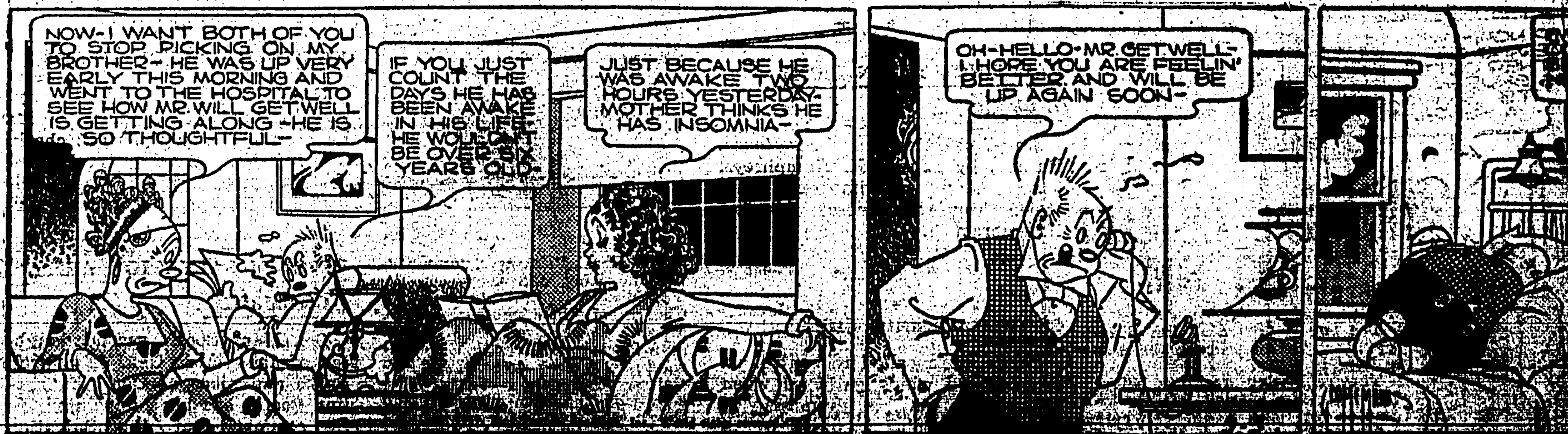
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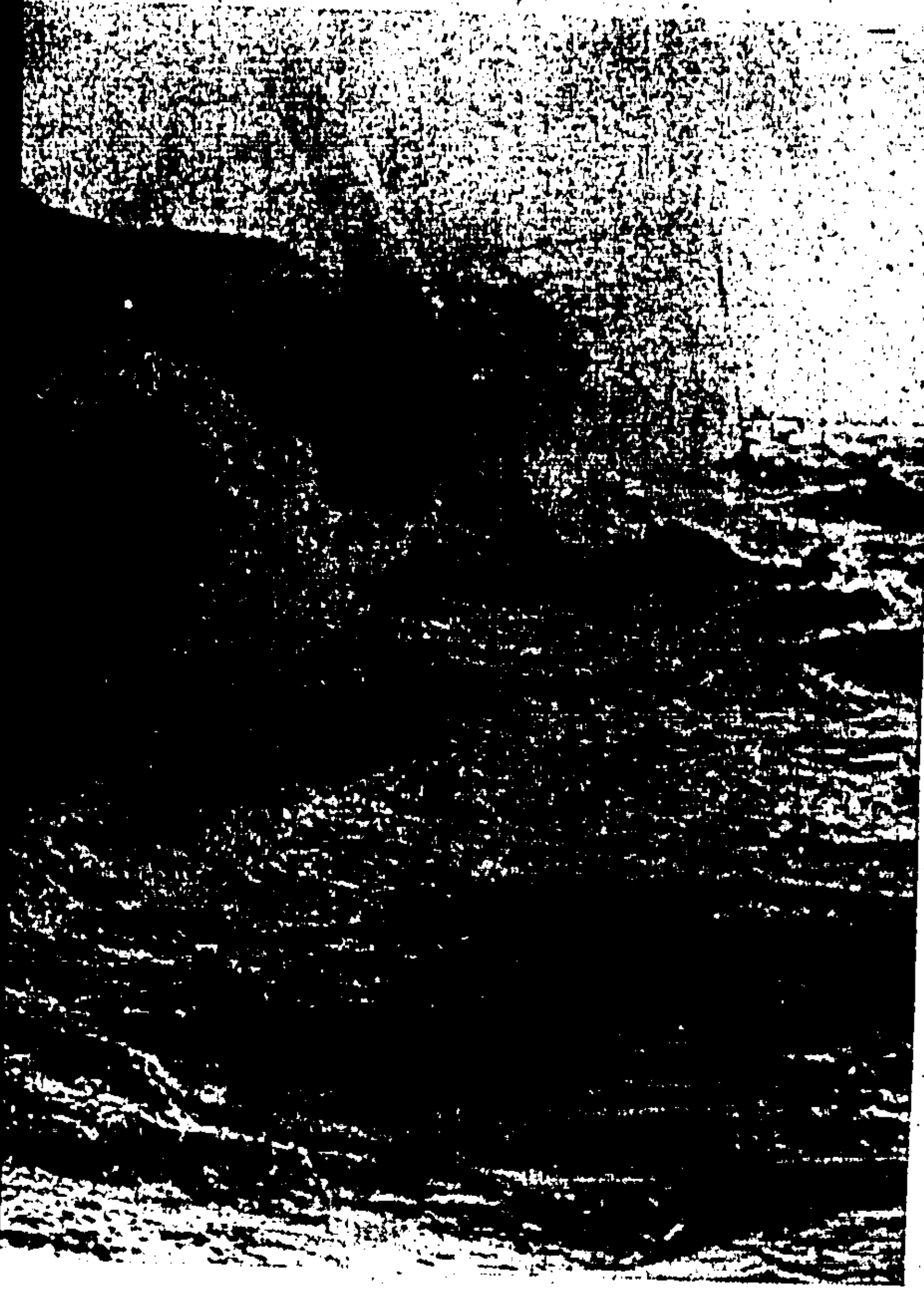


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Bringing Up Father





Blackpool were treated to a fine sea spectacle during high

and the suburbs. (I craze, like any other, went fastest in that order.) after the newspapers took it up and helps to date the pro- ran it. But newspapers don't run d that my colleague crazes till they have first begun to ls have Mouths") Ma- run themselves. a now famous absen- So the question becomes either: ter world, came back What was it about 1935 that made nd with the fresh eyes What was the saloon bar invade the public s began to draw his bar? or What was it that suddenly ention to something became attractive about throwing a was happening to the dart? Sociologists would produce of darts. the answer to the one question, it is true that this Freudians to the other. Except



ET SHOW DOG IN THE WORLD.—Bought for five shill- 6 years ago, Toby, the Punch and Judy dog belonging to Bettsworth of Guildford, the famous entertainer, is stat- ed oldest dog in the Punch and Judy business. Toby, a ite with the local school children, doing his turn "off

BY MONTAGU SLATER

that there seems to be practically no material for them to work on.

An amusing sidelight about the invasion of the public bar is that some breweries have now opened saloon bar leagues. The explanation offered me by one expert is that the brewers found the tide from saloon bar to cheaper public bar so strong that they took fright and took steps.

On the other side, I hear it has been the habit of players from the public bar (where they have to be good) to take predatory trips round all the neighbouring saloon bars (where the standard is lower), and keep themselves in free drinks for weeks in the process.

About one of these there is a story that he said he had never played darts before, but, being given three, put them all in double twenty. And when they said again, "Are you sure you've never played before?" he said, "Well, I do keep darts at home for killing flies."

"Doesn't it make rather a mess of the wall?"

"Well, no. I make a point of pinning them by the legs."

Fred Metson, Music Hall dart-player, pins to the board any bold volunteer's cigarette. That, of course, is a little easier.

Darts is an archaic game that has suddenly become modern (though the U.S.A. won't, as yet, have much to do with it). Its ancestry is seen in the language. For instance, twenty-six (2 6) is called "bed and breakfast" — and since when did bed and breakfast cost only half a crown?

It has a nice admixture of luck and skill—skill of hand rather than eye, says above-mentioned colleague Paul Irwin, raising a controversial point. He argues that if you find difficulty (in Southern England) in getting double one, try a throw just outside double nineteen on the opposite side of the board, then, without stopping, throw at double one. You may get there.

But that is leading us towards tips for dart-players. It doesn't help to answer the question how and whence the craze for darts. I suggest an inquiry by Mass Observation. Perhaps a questionnaire might be circulated, something like this:—

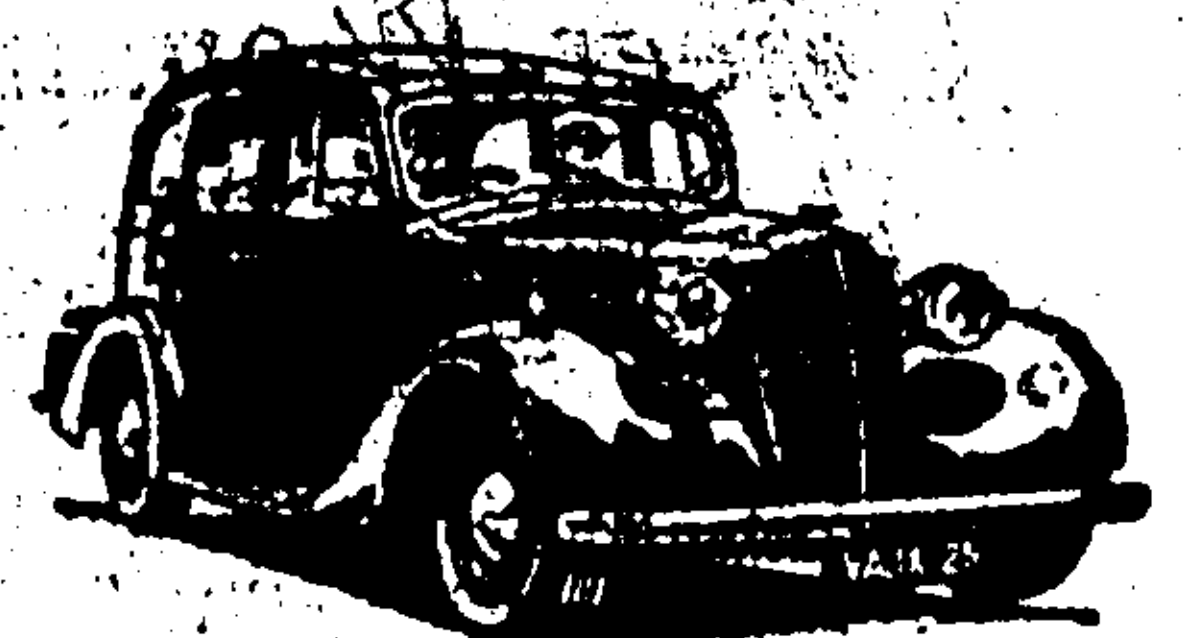
- (1) When did you get bitten by darts?
- (2) Are darts associated in your mind with (a) pubs, (b) clubs, (c) Sunday Schools?
- (3) Do you play in a team or individually?
- (4) Do you carry your own darts? Feathers or flights?
- (5) Have you a dartboard in the home? Since when?

At the end of it all, Messrs. Harrison, Madge, and all their merry men could sit down and work out the reasons why, four or five years ago, it was darts, and not dominoes or bar-skittles or lawn billiards or French bowls that swept through the nation like flu.

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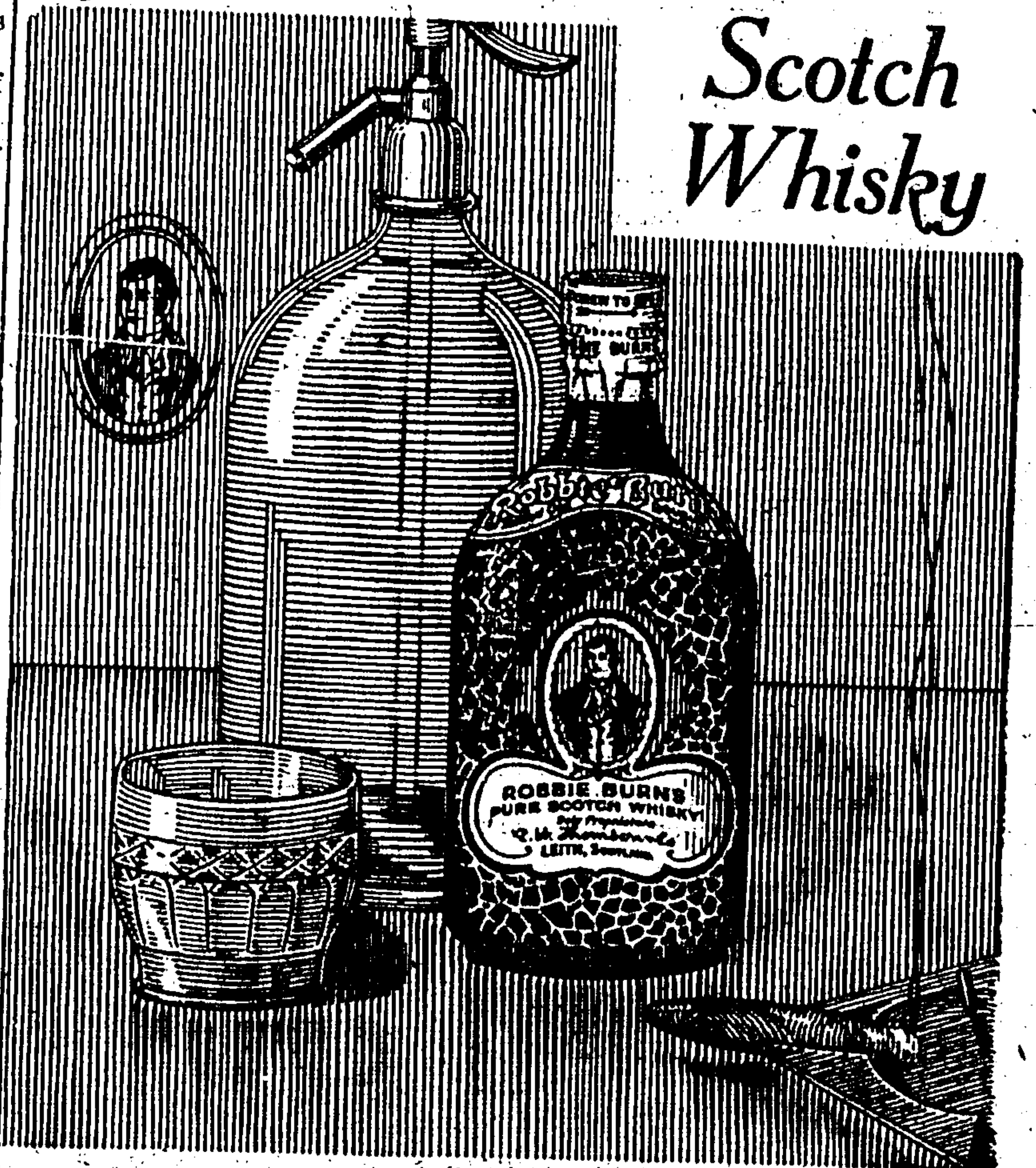
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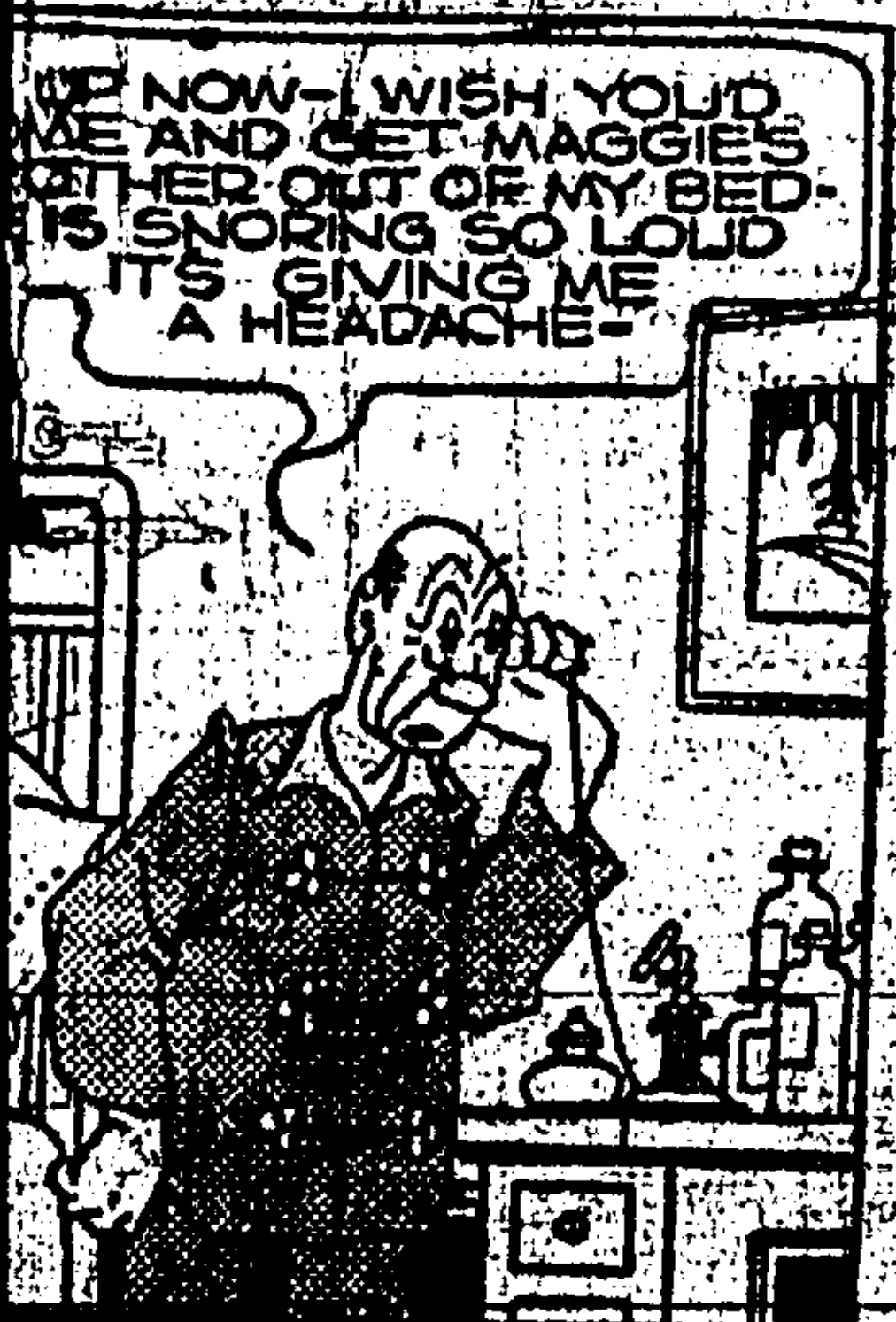


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It is not only Miss Patrick's beauty and style that make her eminently fitted to speak out on this subject. She is a professional woman herself—a brilliant law student with great legal and political ambitions, who some day swears she'll be chief executive of her native Alabama. In her latest picture, "Disbarred," Miss Patrick's role of a modern Portia gives her the perfect opportunity to play the ideal wardrobe for the successful career-girl.

SUCCESS IN SUITS

The correct professional woman would as soon be without a fountain pen as a smartly-tailored suit! Whether she is out to dazzle twelve men, "tried and true," on a reluctant jury, secure a fat contract from a susceptible business magnet or merely impress the "one and only man" at lunch, the tailored girl has the edge. In the trial scenes of "Disbarred" Miss Patrick cuts quite a figure in Edith Head's stunning black wool suit with a black-and-white houndstooth tweed jacket and an amusing white tailored taffeta blouse. The tweed jacket has a collar of black velvet and a neckline softened by a muffler of white taffeta with a hand-rolled hem. Miss Patrick tops off this costume with a shallow black velour sports hat with a vari-coloured quill trimming.

Style Memos From a Career-Girl's Calendar



MONDAY
9
A.M. - Opening day at the trial—sports suit should woo 'em!



TUESDAY
9
P.M. - Dinner with that handsome young lawyer—wear something festive!



WEDNESDAY
9
Noon - See President of International Oil about that retainer—look Presidential!



THURSDAY
9
3 P.M. - Trial over! Address to the jury—wear something to dazzle 12 men!

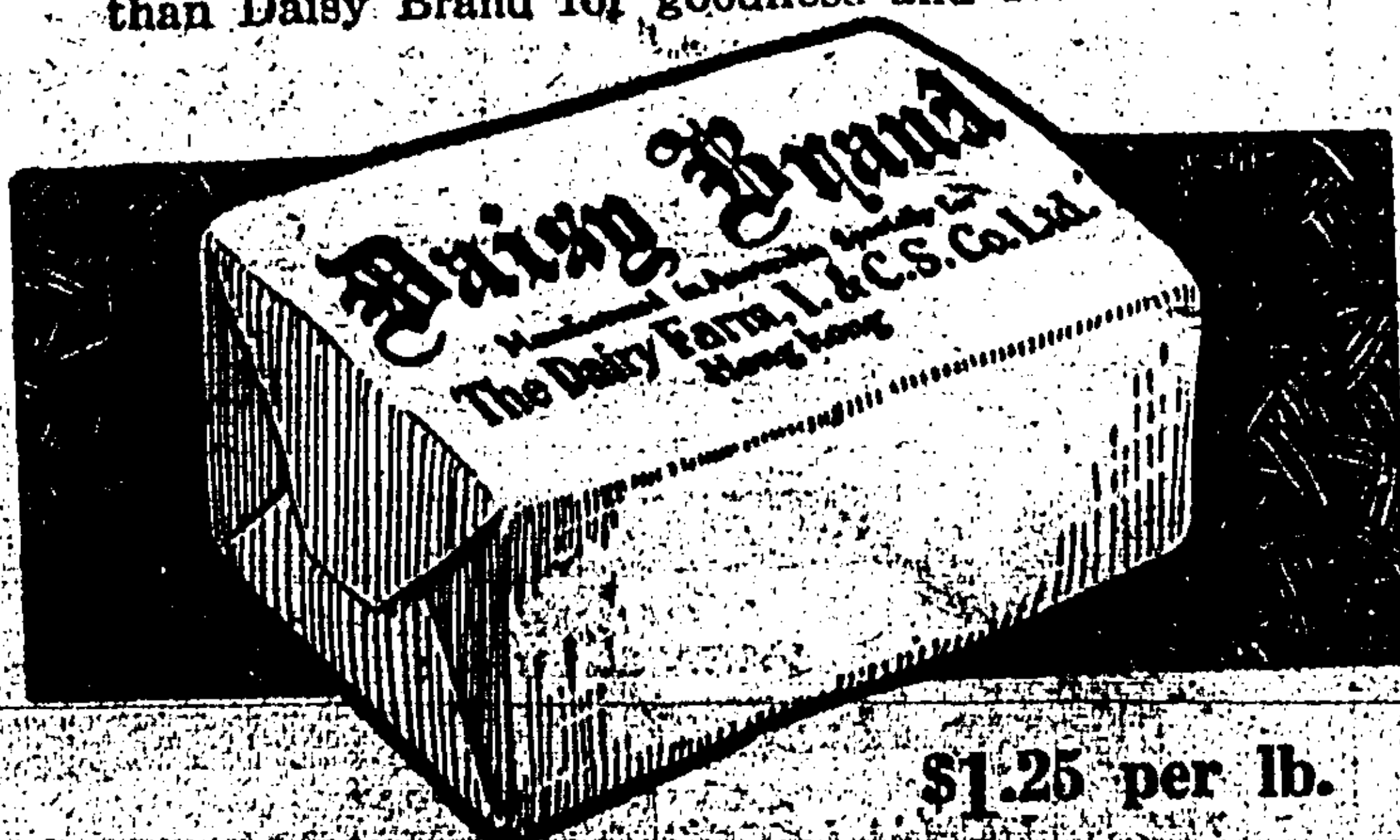
Gail Patrick, the girl-lawyer in Paramount's "Disbarred," presents the perfect wardrobe for the successful career-girl. Ably qualified for the task by both her unmatched beauty and her years spent as a law student, Miss Patrick has chosen a collection which, although designed specifically for the modern Portia by brilliant Edith Head, is the last word for any woman of the world of affairs. In her courtroom scenes Miss Patrick sports a black wool suit with a striking houndstooth tweed jacket, ABOVE LEFT, and a coat-dress of red and white tweed, LEFT. Her evening gowns are a heavy white crepe with a white fox bolero, ABOVE, and a black Lyons velvet, RIGHT. On gala occasions about town, Miss Patrick wears a wine-red crepe dress with luxurious bolero of dark mink, ABOVE RIGHT.



FRIDAY
9
8 P.M. - The Mayor's ball at the Ritz—better wear black!

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occasions on which the career-girl who is "in the money" wishes quietly to point out the fact! The dress is of wine-red crepe with shirring at the shoulders above short sleeves. Above a wide sash of self-fabric is a surplice bodice. The "gilt-edged touch" comes with the jacket—a bolero of dark mink, which is worn over the full-length coat of matching wine-red worsted. Miss Patrick's pie-plate bonnet of felt is held to the head by a bandeau.

OPEN ALL NIGHT!

The law court, business offices and board-rooms may all be important to the professional woman in their way, but the impression she makes on her evening engagements can often make or break her career! The evening clothes worn by Miss Patrick in "Disbarred" prove that she is taking no chances! For that gala, festive evening, she has selected a dinner gown of heavy white

crepe with highlights of encrusted crystal stones. Over it she wears a white fox bolero, with a wide sash of white crepe which winds about the waistline, tying either in front, back or at one side.

"Better wear black" is Miss Patrick's slogan for the career girl invited to strictly formal affairs. She wears a black Lyons velvet gown with a quaint, heart-shaped bodice and interesting shirred pieces of velvet over the dropped shoulder straps of elastic.

ROUGH IT IN COLOUR!

For those afternoons about town, when neither a suit nor a regular dress seems just right, Miss Patrick has chosen a coat-dress of red and white tweed. The outfit features a novel V-pocket, accented in dark red suede, also the fabric of the wide belt. A shallow hat of red suede, with a red quill, and a large satchel bag to match, complete the costume.

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"We might mention the fact," says catty Katie, "that many a good looking bathing suit too has been wrecked going around curves."

What The Stars Foretell

By MARY BLAKE

If March 31 is your birthday the best hours for you on this date are from 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.; from 2:15 to 4:15 p.m. and from 8:15 to 10:15 p.m. The danger periods are from 8:15 to 10:15 a.m.; from 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. and from 10:15 p.m. until midnight.

If you start a conversation with a lot of nonsense do not be surprised if a little later on you are not taken seriously. Going into trivial details will absorb a great amount of valuable time this day, so wise men and women will confine themselves to the important points of any sub-

ject discussed, or analyzed. Avoid trying any make-shift substitute this day, for stop-gap efforts will be responsible for most of the failures. Be careful that your ideas are not lost by your failure to express them clearly. Remember the misuse of one word can destroy the meaning of many. It may be that by yielding an inch you will gain many yards this day, so do not allow obstinacy to make you do something foolish. Married and engaged couples, as well as those whose love declarations are being carefully considered should not take too seriously anything that is lightly

HOOPS, DEARIE, IS THE LATEST

Spring is in the air, ladies—and in the spring a lady's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of a new and lighter frock.

Fashions which modistes hope you're going to wear this spring were displayed in London yesterday. We give you a selection here from Rahvis.

For dining-out, which is generally a "Whoops, Dearie," they want you to wear hoops—as you see on the right. This zebra model is in black and white and says it with flowers from waist to hem.



said, for it might be prompted by the spirit of fun this day.

If a woman and March 31 is your birthday, sensitiveness may make your reaction to personal criticism unreasonably acute. Remember that constructive criticism always has some value. You may frequently try to salve your conscience with theoretical reasoning, instead of facing facts in a practical manner. You have a great deal of ability which needs only to be developed to win you a flattering position in social or business life. Through teaching, missionary or welfare work, painting, writing, singing, selling or interior decorating, you may gain a great reputation. Marriage should enable you to make some man and yourself very happy.

The child born on March 31 may be advanced for its years. It ought to be a good student, popular with its classmates and a favourite with its teachers. This youngster seems to have a bright future.

If a man and March 31 is your natal day, you have the ability to make friends, and should use it advantageously. Many money-making opportunities may come to you late in your life. Through law, medicine, engineering, chemistry, art, journalism, acting selling or music you may make plenty of money and an outstanding name for yourself.

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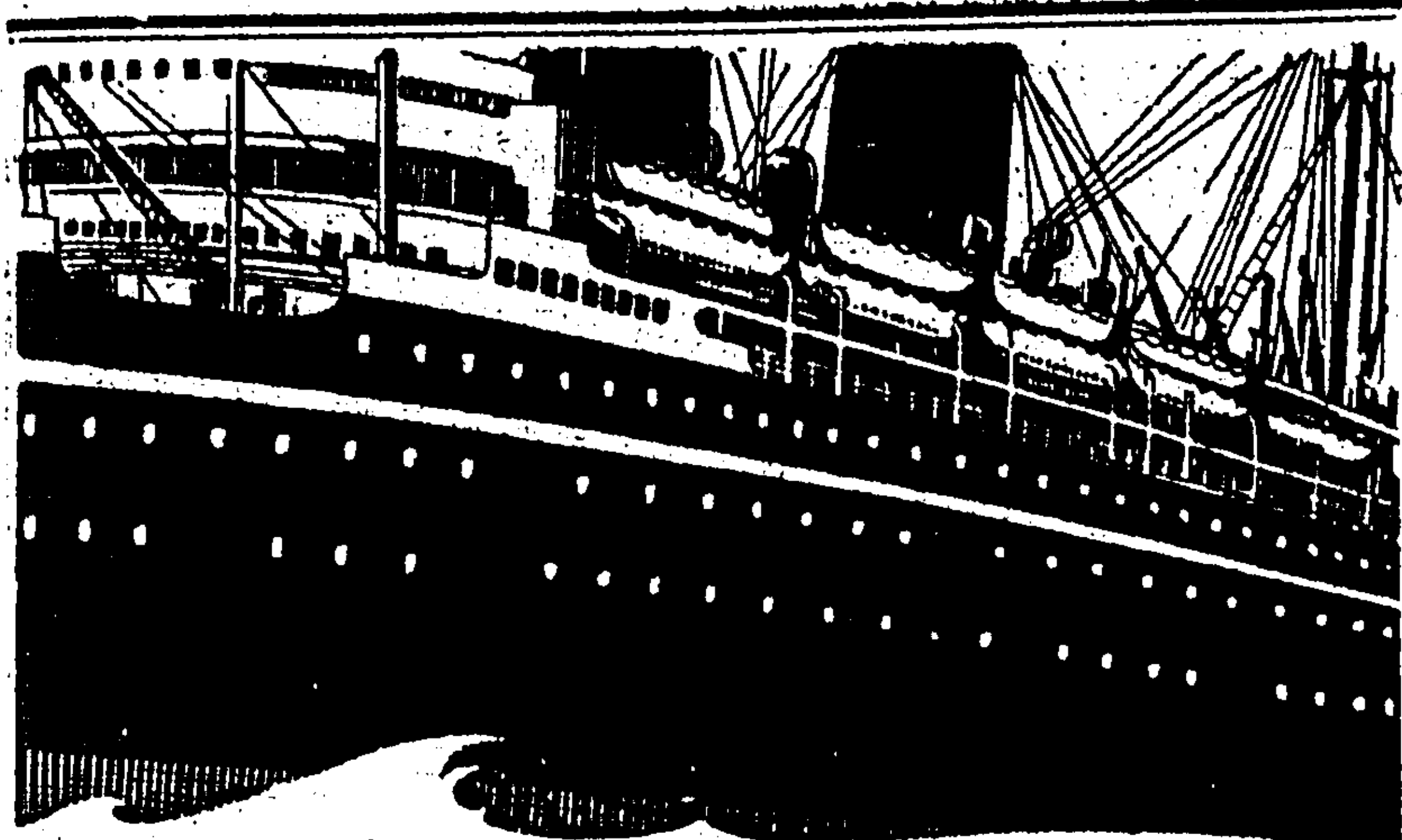
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SATURDAY		
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	Ord.,	Apr. 1, 9.30 a.m.
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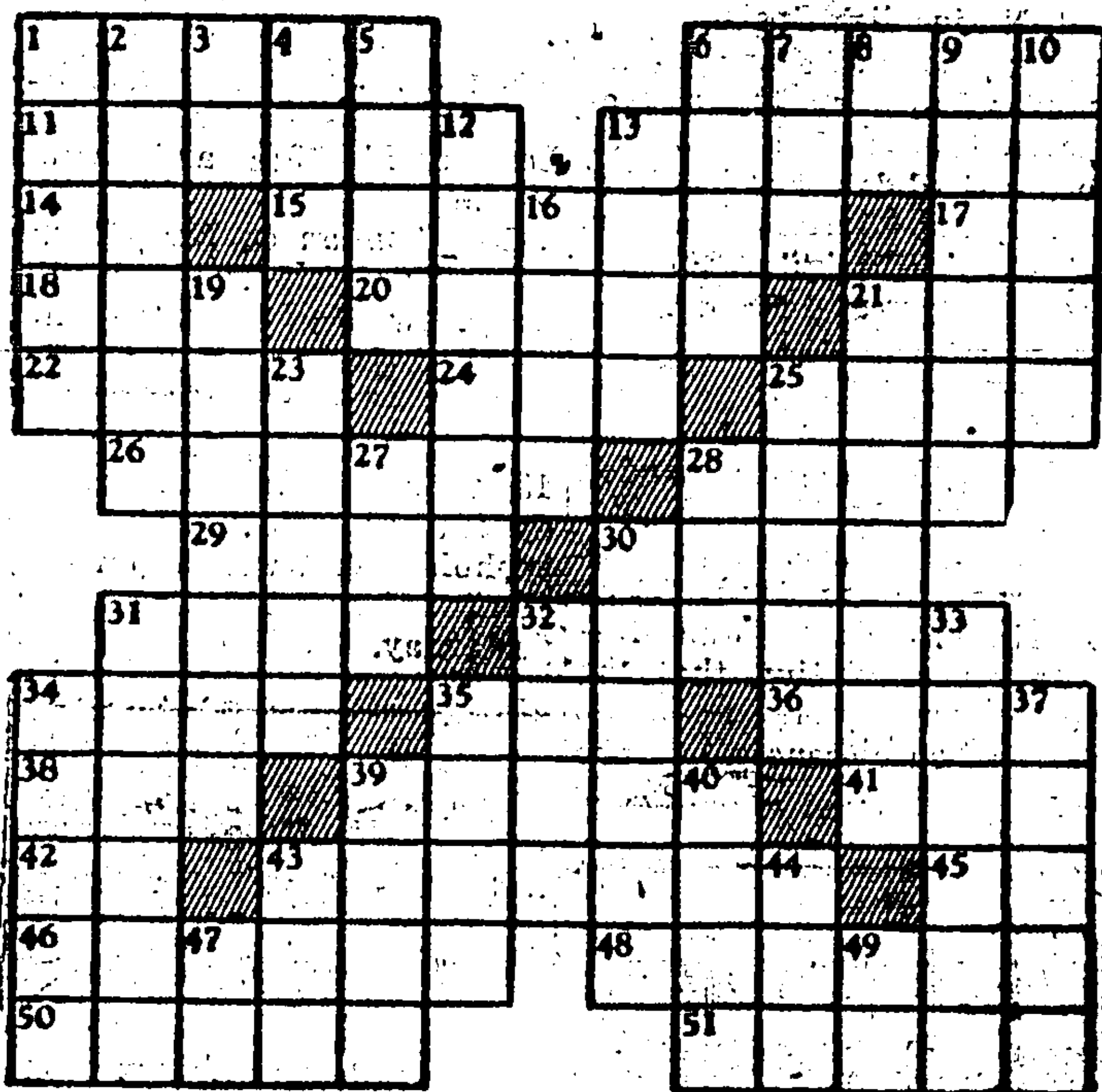
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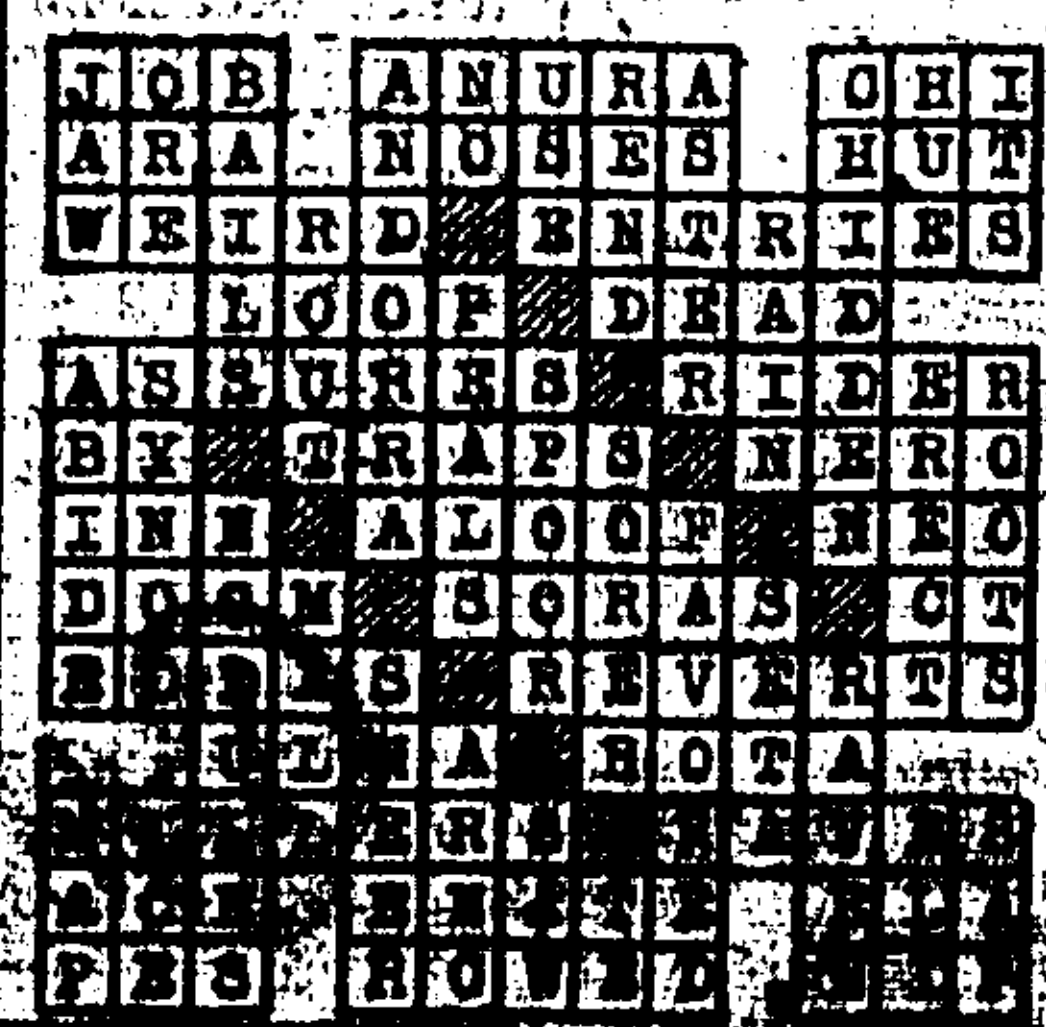
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51 Accomplishments

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- 4 Cap
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9 To note

10 Magistrate

- 12 Positive poles
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JAPAN NOT SUFFICIENTLY "DYNAMIC" FOR SOME

Tokyo, To-day.

The doctrine of force has many adherents in Japan. They gloat over the "irresistible advance" of Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy and the "supine reaction" of the democracies, seeing in this state of affairs affirmation of the justice of Japan's "holy crusade" in China.

The "Hochi Shimbun," a leading Tokyo daily, boastfully declares: "To the people of the Orient, who believe in the saying of an ancient sage to the effect that those who obey the behest of Heaven prosper and those who do not go to ruin, the countries which insist on the maintenance of the 'status quo' are acting contrary to the will of Heaven."

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"Surely, officials who are guided by principles based on the will of Heaven would have nothing to do with the so-called democracies. Men who are inspired by Heaven are at the head of the Foreign Office." — Reuter.

For allowing his dog to wander in Argyle Street on March 5, Mr. A. F. Osmund, of No. 1, Liberty Avenue, was to-day fined \$8 at Kowloon Magistracy. It was stated by the representative, that the dog had escaped from the house through the carelessness of the servant.

COMPENSATION ORDERED

Mr. R. M. Keown, of No. 15 Stanley Terrace, was cautioned by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning, when charged with driving without due care and caution, and with failing to have full control when driving in King's Road, on March 25.

Defendant was ordered to pay \$100 compensation to the deceased's family, the sum to be handed over to the Police, and sent to the country.

THEFT FROM SHIP

Ip Fook, alias Shum Lin, 32, unemployed, appeared before Mr. R. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with larceny of a gold pocket watch and chain, a pair of spectacles, and a suit of clothing, from Mr. G. A. Blaas, on board s.s. Selene.

Inspector Russell said that defendant was arrested by a Chinese detective, and a pawn ticket was found in his possession.

Sentence of one year's hard labour was imposed.

VALENCIA HAVOC

Valencia, To-day.

Examination of the damage caused in Valencia since the outbreak of hostilities shows that great devastation was wrought in the district adjoining the harbour by Nationalist air raids.—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-23/32. "Spot" silver was quoted in London at 19/8 and forward at 19-5/8.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £-U.S.\$4.68.25 and the New York—London rate at £-U. S. \$4.68-1/8.

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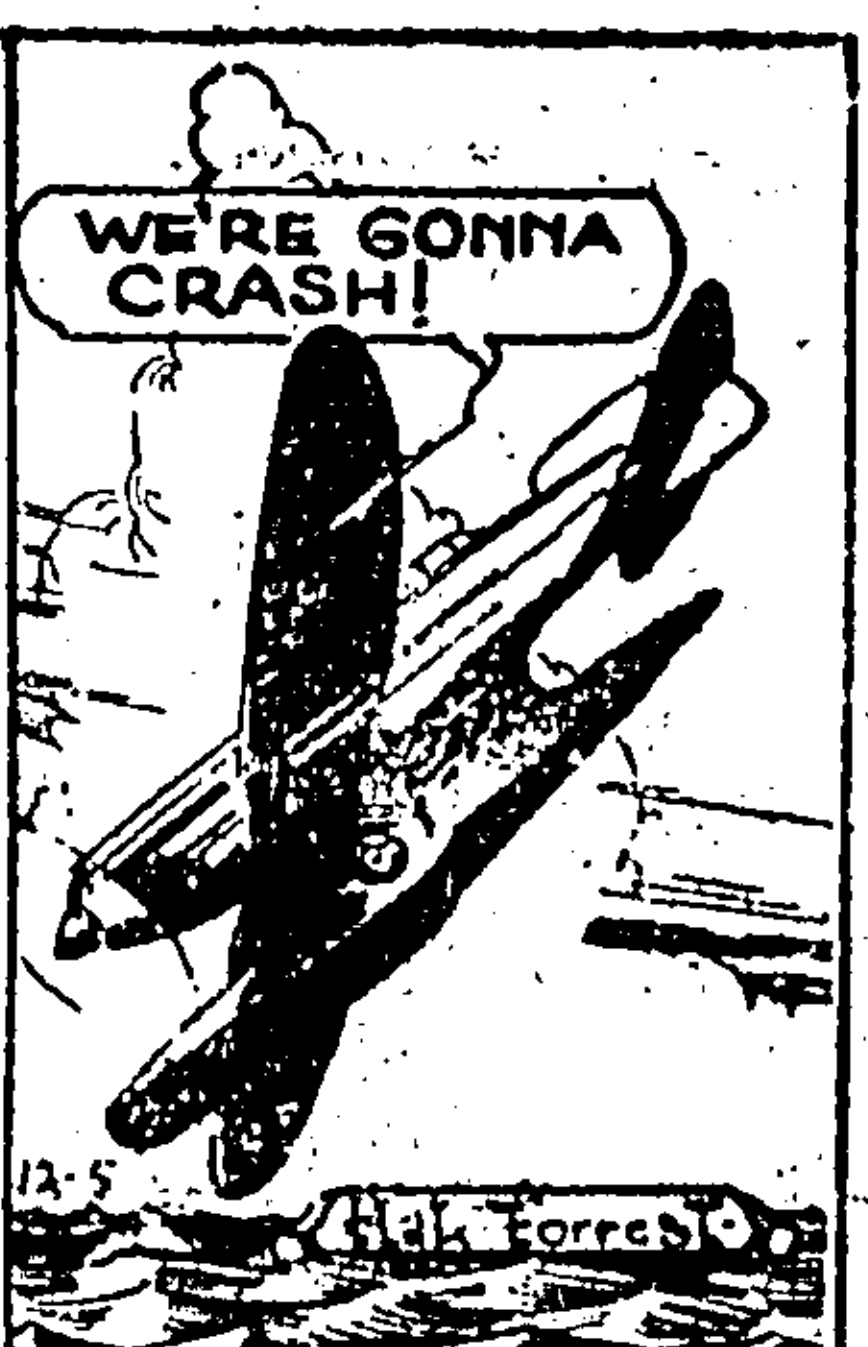
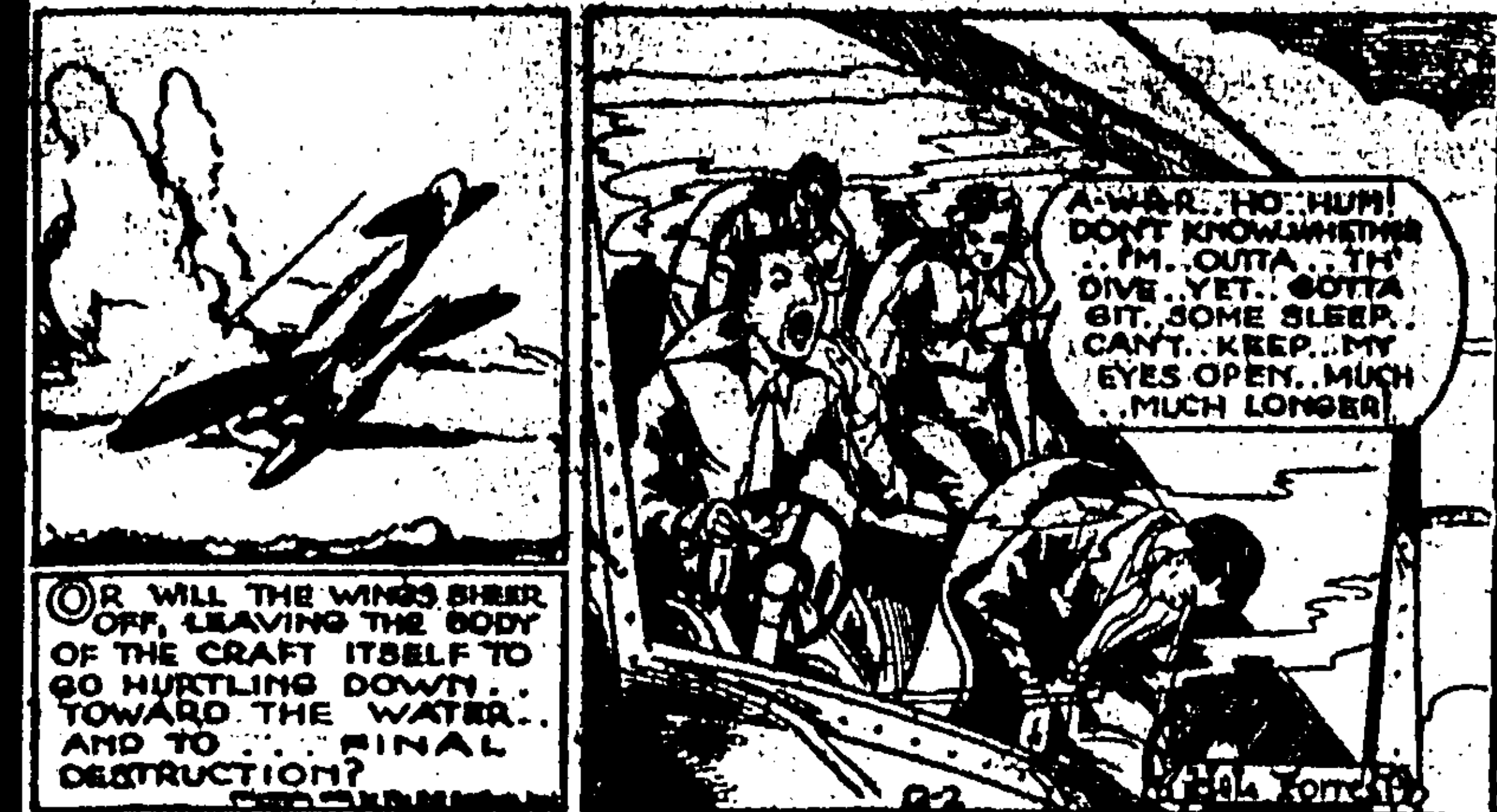
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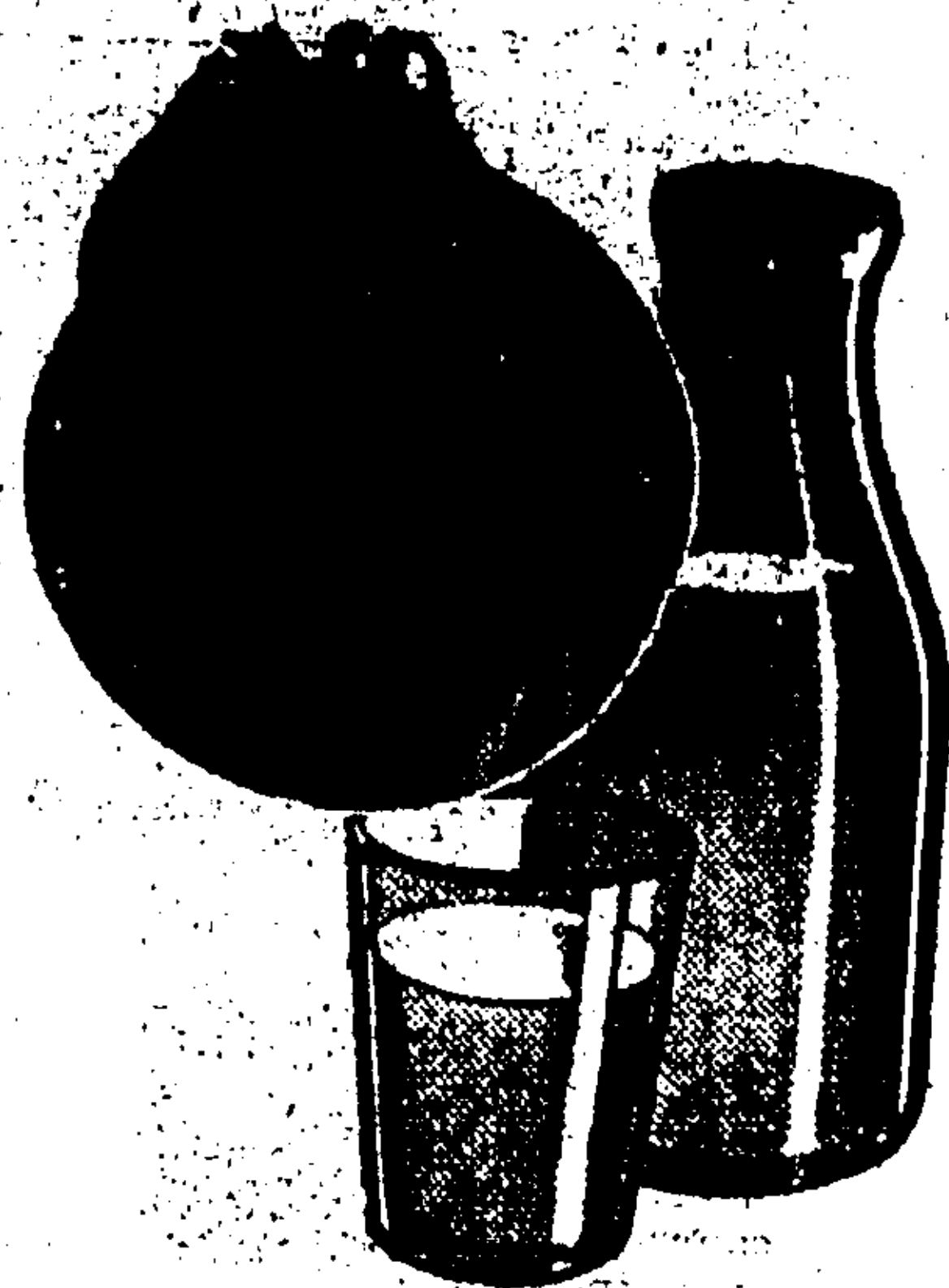
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RUSH TO REPAIR GALE DAMAGE AT MORECAMBE.—Men were at work repairing the breach 40 yards long which was torn in the West End Promenade Marine Walk by the heavy gale which lashed the coast on March 9, tearing away huge blocks of concrete, twisted iron railings, and cast slabs of tar macadam pavement into the road 20 yards away. Corporation workmen are now repairing the gap with steel sheets and sandbags.

THE STAMP COLLECTOR'S CORNER

By Muriel Nissen

DANZIG MARKS ANNIVERSARY

THE Free City of Danzig, located about 250 miles from Berlin, has been a most important commercial city of central Europe for centuries, but at the moment its political importance is overshadowing all other claims of distinction. For almost 1,000 years its rule has passed in steady succession from one power to another and its present status became effective on January 2nd, 1920. The latest stamp issue from Danzig does not honour anything as modern as the establishment of a free city. Instead, history is retraced 125 years to the union of Danzig and Prussia in 1814. In medieval days the city was held

at different times by Brandenburg, Pomerania, Poland and Denmark. In the fourteenth century it had come under Teutonic rule, under which it prospered rapidly. It was one of the chief towns of the Hanseatic League. The Teutonic order became oppressive, as all orders did in those days, and in 1455 Danzig became allied to Poland. The constant wars of the next few centuries were keenly felt and led to frequent changes in Danzig's rule. In 1793 it was allied to Prussia, Napoleon declared the port a Free City in 1807, and it was given back to Prussia in 1814. This last date is the one commemorated on the new stamp series.

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A group of three knights, themselves in armour and riding panoplied horses, appear on the 6 pfennig stamp in bright green. The 10pf. value, printed in red-brown, depicts the signing of a treaty between Danzig and Sweden in 1630. The union of 1814 is directly honoured on the 15pf. slate-blue stamp, which shows a drummer boy leading a group of soldiers. A battle led by Stephen Bathory is being fought on the 25pf. brown-violet stamp.

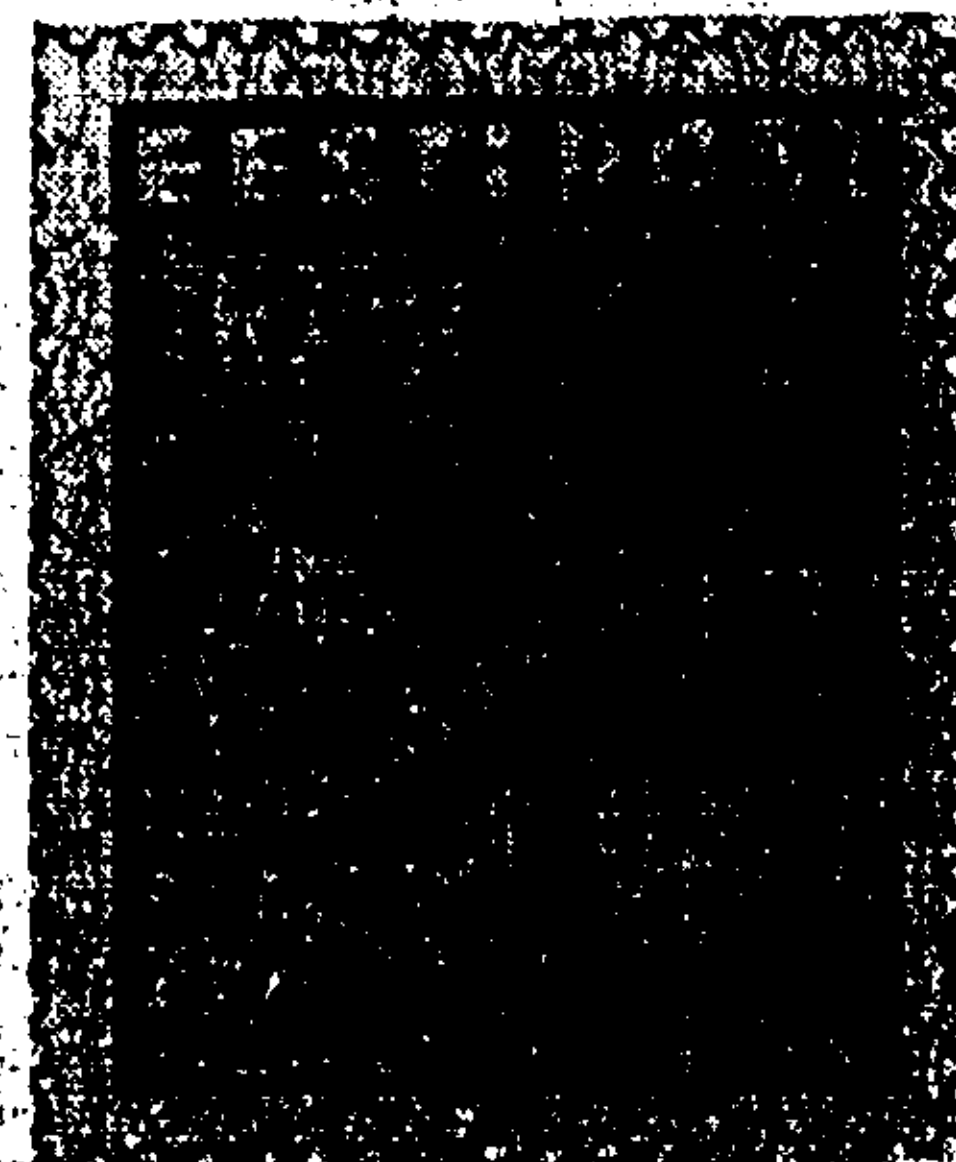
NEW AIR MAILS

LATEST additions to the ranks of air mail stamps have come from Ecuador and Uruguay. The former country has issued three new values in this category—1 sucre, 2s and 3s. The design, common to all denominations, pictures a plane flying above Mount Chimborazo.

Uruguay's new air mail set also uses the same design for all values—a picture of the Negro-River Dam. Values and colours in this set are: 62 centesimos, blue-green; 68c bright yellow; 75c light violet; 1 peso blue, 1p red, 1p brown and 1.38p carmine.

RED CROSS STAMPS

ESTONIA'S Red Cross series for 1939 again employs coat-of-arms designs. There are four stamps in the current set, each featuring the insignia for an Estonian district. The inscription "Caritas" (Charity) appears on each value. Classifications of value, colour and design are: 10 cents plus 10s green, district of Viljandi; 15s plus 15s red, district of Parnu; 25s plus 25s blue, district of Tartu; 50s plus 50s brown, district of Harju.



These stamps are also available in sheets of four, one stamp of each value, with marginal inscriptions in red-brown.

LEEWARD ISLAND ISSUE



GREAT BRITAIN'S Leeward Island colony is one of the very few colonial possessions to issue "new reign" postal paper in simple portrait design. Even those colonies that have heretofore used portrait stamps only have adopted at least some scenics in the new series, but here the likeness of His Majesty King George VI is presented on stamps otherwise identical to those used during his father's regime. Values and colours of the new issue are: 1/4p brown; 1/2p green; 1p carmine; 1 1/2p red-brown; 2p blue-gray; 2 1/2p ultra-marine; 3p bistre; 6p red-violet; 1 shilling green and dark green; 2sh. red-violet and black on blue; 6sh carmine and green on yellow; 10sh red and green on green, and 1 Pound, black and red on red.

STAMP TEASERS

1. Who were the Pinzon brothers and what country has honoured them on stamps?
2. What stamp pictures a parade ground?
3. A motor van for mail delivery appears on what adhesive?
4. Where is Lake Atitlan, and what stamps show a view of it?
5. Do you know what stamp pictures a daisy?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

1. The "Amerigo Vespucci" an Italian training ship, appears on a 1931 stamp of its native land.
2. John Guy, an alderman of Bristol, England, organised the first expedition to colonise Newfoundland. He landed there in 1610, and the tercentenary of the event is commemorated on a 1910 stamp series which includes a portrait of Guy.
3. Dnieper Dam, one of Russia's greatest engineering achievements, appears on a 1932 stamp.
4. Uruguay, in 1928, issued a stamp to celebrate a football victory.
5. A fully equipped camel appears on a 1933 stamp of Eritrea.

OVERHEARD

(Continued from Page 1)

The dark young man ventured to take a peep at the doctor, and round the corner of his mouth there played a tiny smile.

"He'll be down any moment now and you can have a word with him." As he was speaking the door opened and the dark young man again looked at it anxiously, but it was no one for him. It was Mr. Francis.

"She's doing very well," he said to the old lady as he took her hand in his.

"I can't thank you enough," she said.

"Don't thank me. Your daughter's constitution was really excellent, but bringing her in a couple of days before was a good idea of mine. It let her settle down, you know, and acquire confidence. I was very pleased with her before the operation. She wasn't in the least worried."

The door opened again and a tall lady in a sister's costume beckoned to the dark young man, who rose with alacrity, to leave the other four talking over the intricacies of a woman's inside.

Outside in the passage the matron, for it was she, though he had not realised it, took him by the arm.

"You needn't worry," she said. "As I telephoned you earlier on, she's really splendid. Now you can see her for a couple of minutes while the surgeon is talking to her mother."

The dark young man thanked her with his eyes and, coming to the bedroom door, pushed it gently open and shut it as gently behind him.

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The girl in the bed looked towards him dully for a second, and then, her face lighting up in a smile she held out a hand weakly towards him.

"David," she said, "how wonderful. I was afraid the matron wouldn't be able to work it." The dark young man came over to the

bed and, taking her hand in his, kissed her gently on the forehead.

"I'm only allowed a minute," he said, "but you're all right." She smiled at him a little wanly.

"Of course I'm all right. Thanks to you. I never worried a bit."

"Does it hurt?"

"Not much. The last year has been wonderful—"

"And the next's going to be more so."

"I'll be all right in two months. I've told the matron you're to be allowed in whenever you come. When can you come to-morrow?"

"I'd better come about the same time. And now good-night, my dearest."

"Good-night, darling. I don't know what I should do without you."

He kissed her again upon the forehead, held her hot hand a moment and stole from the room just as the nurse was preparing to re-enter it. The matron was waiting for him at the head of the stairs, and she smiled at him.

"She looks marvellous, doesn't she?"

"She always has. I'll be here to-morrow at the same time, if that's all right." He smiled back at her.

"Oh, we'll be able to manage something. I can't have my patient having a relapse because she can't see you." The dark young man went down the stairs and back into the waiting-room, where he had left his hat.

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The group had left the fire and was congregated about the door impeding the dark young man's progress. He smiled again, a little defiantly, as a snatch of conversation caught his ear.

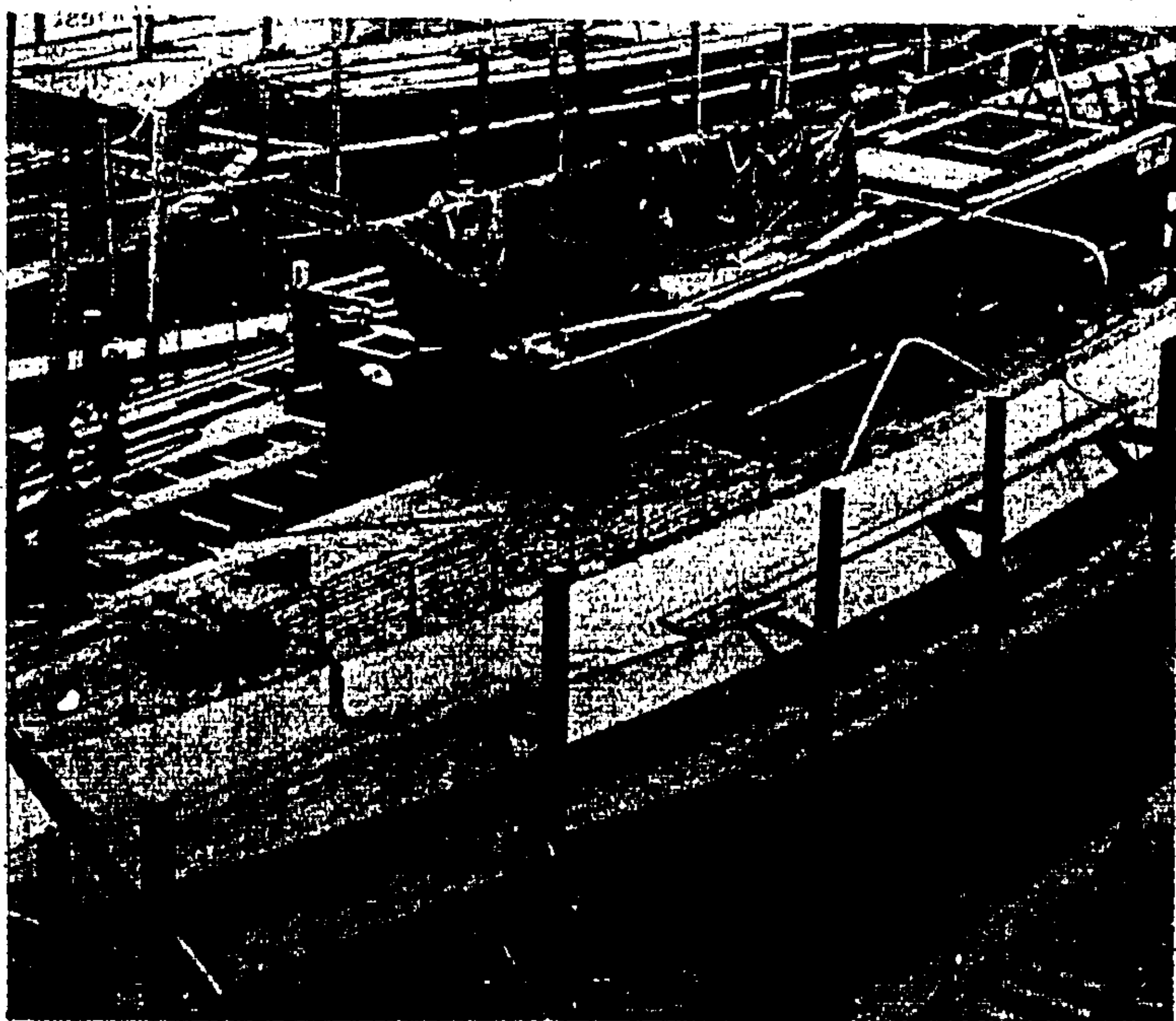
"Well, Mr. Francis," the old lady was saying, "we can all take a share of the credit for Jacqueline's marvellous power of resistance."

The dark young man dived into the middle of the group.

"Excuse me," he said, "I left my hat here." Cramming it on his head, he was gone.



SIMPLER COIFFURES FOR THE SPRING.—New hairdressing styles are being launched to suit the shorter skirts, and simplicity is the keynote of the new vogue. M. Georges Barranger, the court hairdresser, has just returned to London from Paris after seeing the first of the season's styles launched at the Bal de la Coiffure and this picture shows a very attractive coiffure which he is now creating.



Sailors will have to leave their razors behind when the R.R.S. "Research", now being built for the Royal Navy at Dartmouth, sails. The vessel will be non-magnetic and every item, including the kit of the crew, will be carefully checked to eliminate all magnetic articles. It is said that even "iron constitutions" are barred. The "Research" is costing £100,000 and the hull is being made almost entirely of teak and oak. The vessel will be used for carrying out experiments with compasses at sea—a subject of great value to the navies of the world. Photo shows a view of the "Research" as she appears to-day, a modern wooden-hull nearing completion.

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The Hong Kong Women's Soldiers Relief Association Charity Ball will be held to-night at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden.

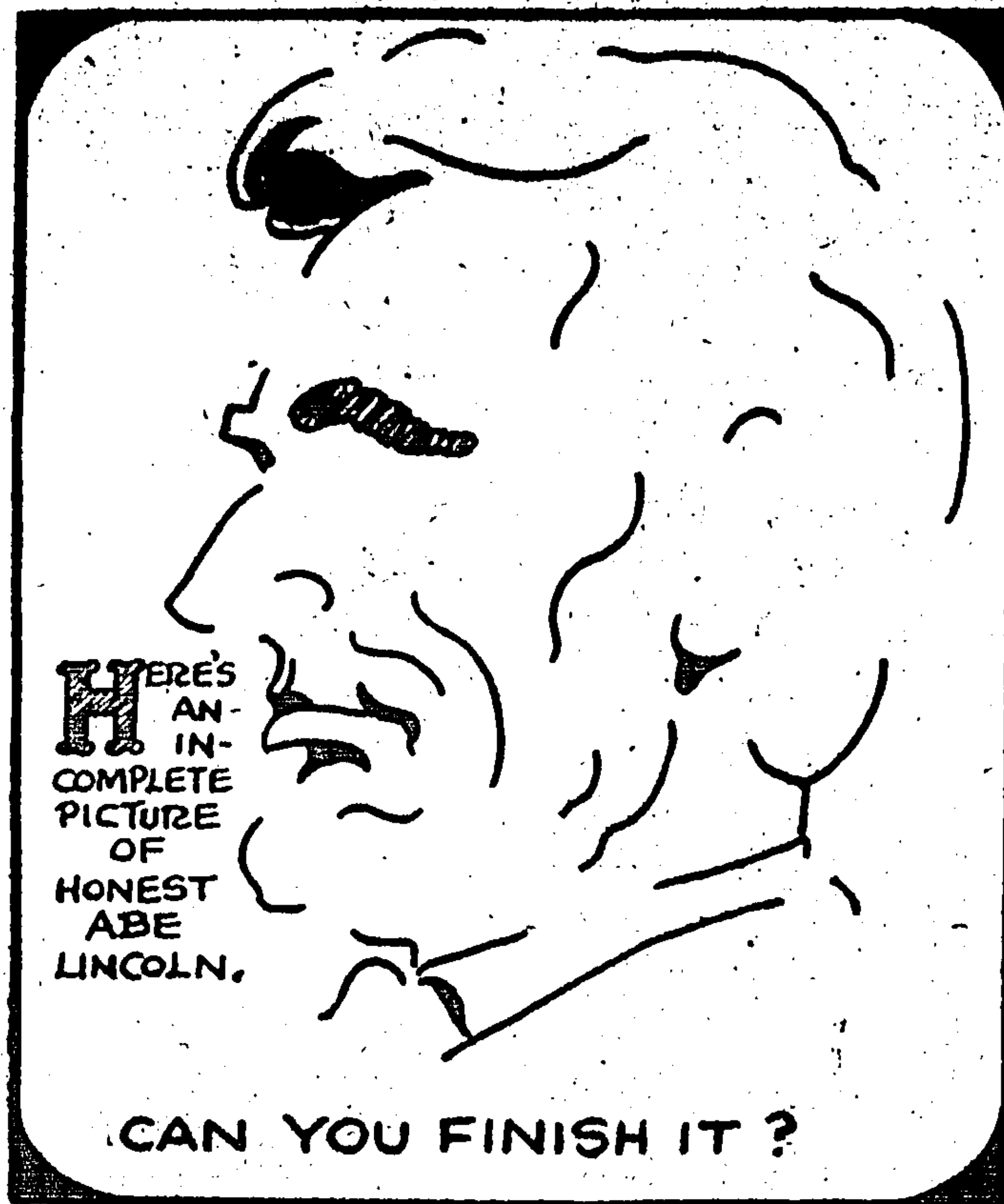
With the most charming society belles as Hostesses, an entertaining evening is assured. The programme is as follows: Song selection.—Miss Grace Chang, Mr. Banky Yip; Ballet.—Little Miss Rose Tan; Chinese item.—Miss Violet, (the famous actress); Pas de deux.—Miss Stella and Helen Ho.

LOCAL SHARES

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:—

BANKS	
Hong Kong Bank	\$1870 sa.
INSURANCES	
Canton Ins.	\$220 b.
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PUBLIC UTILITIES	
H. K. Tramways	\$16.20 b.
H. K. Electrics	\$56¼ s.
STORES, &C.	
Dairy Farms ex. rt.	\$21½ b., \$22 s.
MISCELLANEOUS	
Entertainments	\$6¼ b.
H. K. Govt. 4% Loan	4% pm. b.
Marsmans Inv. (H.K.)	s/- 5/- sa.
Dairy Farms Rts.	\$15½ b., \$15½ sa.

CHILDREN'S PUZZLE



Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

Dora, Alice, Ethel, Helen, Helena, Elena, Lena, Nan, Ann, Nance, Emma, Mac, Esther, Rita, and Ada.

COTTON STORM LOOMING IN THE SENATE

Washington, To-day.

The new programme of the cotton Senators, which is actually a modified Smith Bill, is regarded as warning of a Congressional storm over solution of the

cotton problem.

This is held inevitable as soon as the legislation favouring an export subsidy is initiated in Congress.

While the cotton Senators are confident that President Roosevelt's export subsidy has no chance of passage in the Senate there is also a conviction that the modified Smith Bill will have a hard sledding, chiefly in view of its higher costs.

COMMITTEE APPROVES

Another adverse factor is the fact that planting has already begun in the South, and repossession of futures, to be an effective stall, must be enacted immediately.

The Senate agricultural committee yesterday approved the modified Smith Bill which would permit reclamation of up to 3,000,000 bales of loan cotton.—Reuter.

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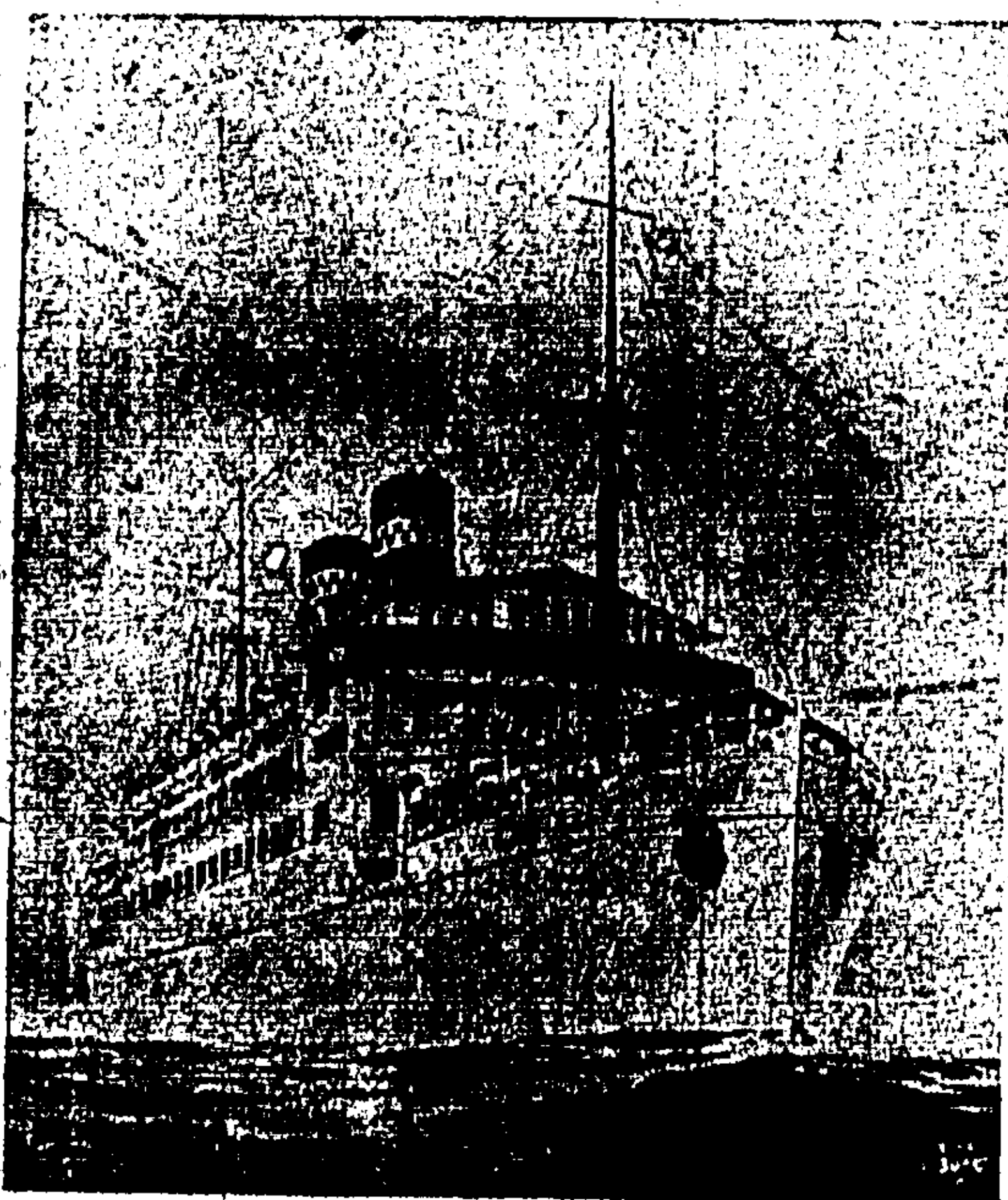
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Compulsory Registration Of League Tennis Players

Four Names To Be Forwarded For Each Team

Executive Committee Reduced To Eight: Granted Full Power

Two important resolutions were carried unanimously at the annual general meeting of the Hong Kong Lawn Tennis Association in the Registrar's Office, Supreme Court, yesterday evening:

They were:

1. The affairs of the Association shall be managed by an Executive Committee, consisting of the Officers of the Association i.e. the President, the Vice President, the Hon. Secretary and the Hon. Treasurer, and of four other members."

This regulation will displace Regulation 4 (a) of the Association's regulations.

2. "Four players must be registered for each team in each Division except the lowest ("D" Division"), at least one week before the commencement of the League (May 15). "The four registered players shall not be allowed to play in any lower Division than that for which they are registered in the same season."

This regulation will be known as Rule 7 of the New Rules (League).

His Honour, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, President, said that there was little to comment on in the annual report. The Association had on the whole enjoyed an uneventful year, but one not without interest.

The wonderful success of Chinese Recreation Club, who won every Division except "D," deserved the highest credit. In the "A," "B," "C" and Mixed Doubles Divisions they won every match played and won 223½ sets as against only 37½ by their various opponents. This, the President said, was "a record for which they can be justly proud, and on which we most heartily congratulate them."

"But congratulations are also due to K.T.G.C.A., who won "D" Division without losing a match and were runners up in the "C" Division, being only two points behind the winners."

"By and large, I think the standard of lawn tennis in the Colony is improving as more and more of the younger generation come into the limelight, and here the League and Colony Championships help considerably."

"It is a great handicap, however, to those who have reached the top of the tree that they have so little opportunity of meeting and being beaten by better players. Once a local player knows himself good enough to beat any other local player, it is almost inevitable that his game, so far from improving, will begin to deteriorate."

"Exhibition games in which foreign visitors such as Von Cramm and Henkel, in 1937, and last year the four young Americans, who took part, provide most valuable object lessons, especially as to the possibilities of the serve—a weapon which is too much neglected in Hong Kong—but the visits of these players are too fleeting, and too few and far between, to be able to raise our standard very high."

FAR EAST TOURNEY

"Here too the enterprise of the Lawn Tennis Federation of Cochin-China in organising the annual Championships of the Far East is most welcome."

"We were very glad at the year-end to be able to accept their invitation to their first tournament, but, unfortunately, the band of three who were able to secure leave and make the trip did not include a Tsui or a Rumjahn."

"I would like to take this opportunity of thanking the Federation most gratefully for their courtesy in inviting our participation and for their entertainment of our players. We hope to send down a more fully representative team next year."

"Turning to the working account. There is practically nothing for comment. Our income just covered our expenses, in which the only item of interest is the cost of the passages of our three players to Saigon at the year-end—\$195.00. On the asset side of the balance sheet we show \$195.00 as due

for the Federation of Cochin-China in respect of the return passages of the same players, and this sum has since been paid."

1939 OFFICERS

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President—His Honour Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, for the 10th year in succession.

Vice-President—Mr. M. W. Lo, in place



of Mr. Ng Sze-kwong, who is leaving the Colony next month.
Hon. Secretary—Mr. T. A. Pearce, in place of Mr. C. J. Tacchi, who is at Home on long leave.
Hon. Treasurer—Mr. Ezra Abraham, re-elected.
Hon. League Secretary—Mr. F. A. Broadbridge, re-elected.
Executive Committee—Messrs. T. F. Lo, A. el Arculli, E. de Souza and Major Baines's nominee—Major Baines, the Services' representative, is proceeding Home next week.
Interport Selection Committee—Messrs. M. W. Lo, A. E. P. Guest, H. A. Barros, Major Baines's nominee, Ho Ka-lau and T. A. Pearce (Hon. Secretary).

SEASON OPENS MAY 15

Entries for the 1939 Tennis League will close on April 15 and the season will open officially on May 15 with an "A" Division programme.

A change in the order of play was approved as follows:

Mondays—"A" Division.

Tuesdays—"B" Division.

Wednesdays—"C" Division.

Thursdays—"D" Division.

Fridays—Mixed Doubles Division.

Ladies' Recreation Club, who possess only hard courts, were granted permission to play home matches, on their hard courts. Last year they played all their home matches on their opponents' courts.

Radio Sports Club, who are considering entering two teams, were refused permission to play home matches, possessing only two grass courts.

CAER CLARK CUP

"Y" Ladies Win With 10 Players

MISS HARKER'S FOUR GOALS

Fielding a depleted team of only 10 players, "Y" Ladies completed their Caer Clark Cup fixture list when they decisively trounced St. Andrew's Ladies by 6 goals to 2 on the "Y" ground yesterday, after leading by five clear goals at the interval.

Mrs. S. Gardner (nee Sybil Dalziel) staged a comeback after an absence of two seasons, at left-half, and although slightly winded in the closing stages, gave an enterprising display and held her own against the Wong-Churn right-wing combination.

"Y" Ladies were only able to field one full-back, but the half-back trio more than held their own against St. Andrew's attack, which lacked that fire of former encounters of this season.

Mrs. Zimmermann and Miss P. Gittins were the only visiting forwards to display any signs of being really dangerous and the former netted two good goals in the second half when the Saints staged a partial recovery after being in the doldrums for most of the first half.

SPARKLING DISPLAY

Miss B. Harker, the Colony's inside-right, gave a sparkling display and netted four magnificent goals. She was always up with the ball and inside the circle, rarely mistimed her shot. Miss N. Eardley, who was promoted from the second team following Miss Marie Smith departure, also shone and netted a good goal.

Swinging the ball about "Y" made full use of their wingers and as a result St. Andrew's defence was spread-eagled.

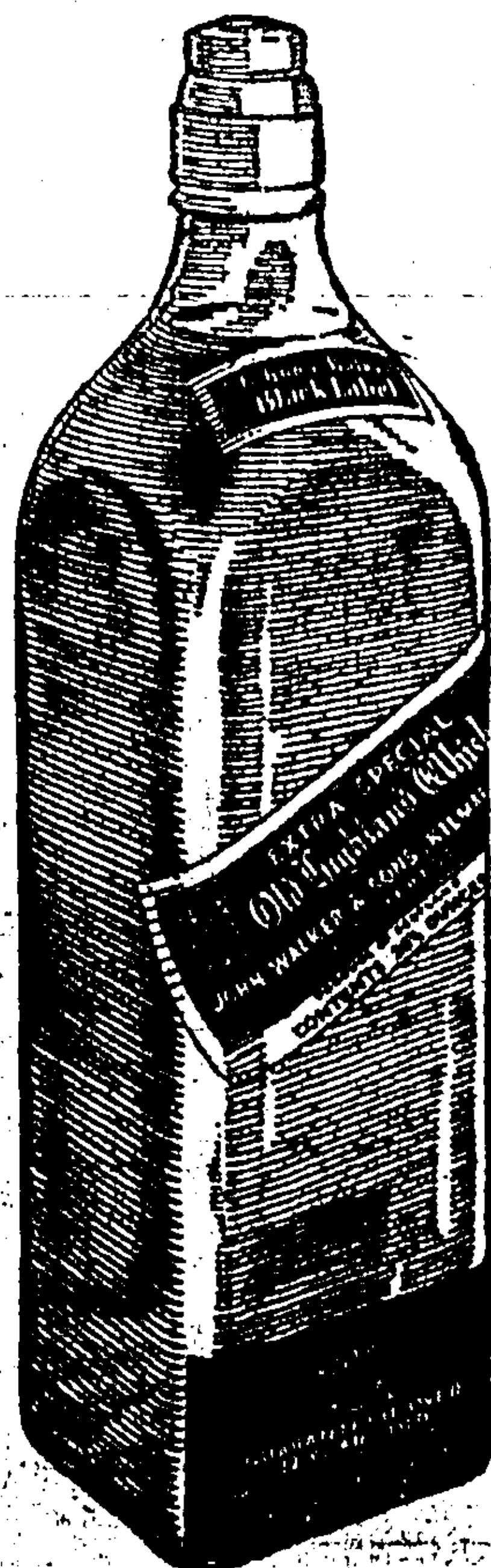
For the Saints, Miss Petigura, at right-half, was the pick of their defence, while Miss G. White, the Interport right-back, also shone. Miss H. Reid, Interport-left-half and Miss M. Da Roza, the visiting left-back, respectively, were disappointing, although they could accomplish little against the Interport right-wing of Mrs. Burnett and Miss Harker.

Miss Harker (4) and Mrs. Burnett scored for "Y" Ladies in the first half, while Miss N. Eardley completed their tally in the second period. Mrs. Zimmermann netted both the Saints goals in the second half.

"Y" Ladies:—Mrs. Reid; Mrs. Burke; Mrs. Stone; Miss M. McCaw and Mrs. S. Gardner; Mrs. Burnett, Miss B. Harker, Miss H. Rockler, Miss N. Eardley and Miss M. Westcott.

St. Andrew's Ladies:—Miss J. Hall; Miss G. White and Miss M. da Roza; Miss P. Petigura, Miss J. Wong and Miss H. Reid; Miss F. Wong, Miss E. Churn, Miss P. Gittins, Mrs. A. Zimmermann and Miss T. Jex.

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BRENTFORD (1) v Leicester (1)
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EVERTON (3) v Stoke (0)
GRIMSBY (0) v Bolton (1)
Huddersfield (-) v Manchester U. (-)
Portsmouth (1) v Birmingham (1)
Sunderland (1) v CHARLTON (1)
WOLVES (1) v Chelsea (1)

SECOND DIVISION

BLACKBURN (-) v West Brom. (-)
Bradford (0) v COVENTRY (1)
BURY (2) v Plymouth (0)
Chesterfield (2) v Tottenham (2)
FULHAM (3) v Norwich (4)
MANCHESTER C. (-) v Notts F. (-)
Millwall (-) v NEWCASTLE (-)
WEDNESDAY (4) v Luton (0)
Swansea (0) v Southampton (0)
Tranmere (-) v Burnley (-)
WEST HAM (0) v Sheffield U. (2)

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

ALDERSHOT (0) v Exeter (1)
BRISTOL C. (0) v Cardiff (1)
CLAPTON (2) v Walsall (2)
CRYSTAL P. (-) v Ipswich (-)

NEWPORT (1) v Mansfield (0)
Northampton (0) v QUEEN'S P.R. (2)
NOTTS C. (0) v Southend (2)
Port Vale (-) v Bristol R. (-)
SWINDON (0) v Brighton (1)
Torquay (0) v Bournemouth (0)
WATFORD (4) v Reading (0)

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Carlisle (1) v NEW BRIGH-
TON (1)
CREWE (4) v Barrow (0)
Darlington (3) v Halifax (0)
DONCASTER (4) v Bradford C. (0)
Gateshead (-) v BARNLEY (-)
Hartlepool (2) v OLDHAM (0)
Rochdale (0) v Lincoln (1)
Rotherham (2) v Hull (2)
SOUTHPORT (2) v Chester (2)
WREXHAM (2) v Accrington (0)
York (-) v Stockport (-)

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION)

ABERDEEN (2) v Queen's O.S. (3)
Albion (-) v Kilmarnock (-)
AYR (2) v Falkirk (3)
CELTIC (4) v Arbroath (0)
Hamilton (3) v CLYDE (1)
HEARTS (-) v Raith (-)
RANGERS (2) v Queen's Park (1)
ST. JOHNSTONE (3) v Partick (1)
St. Mirren (1) v Hibernians (0)
THIRD LANARK (5) v Motherwell (3)

THREE WHO MAY WIN AWAY

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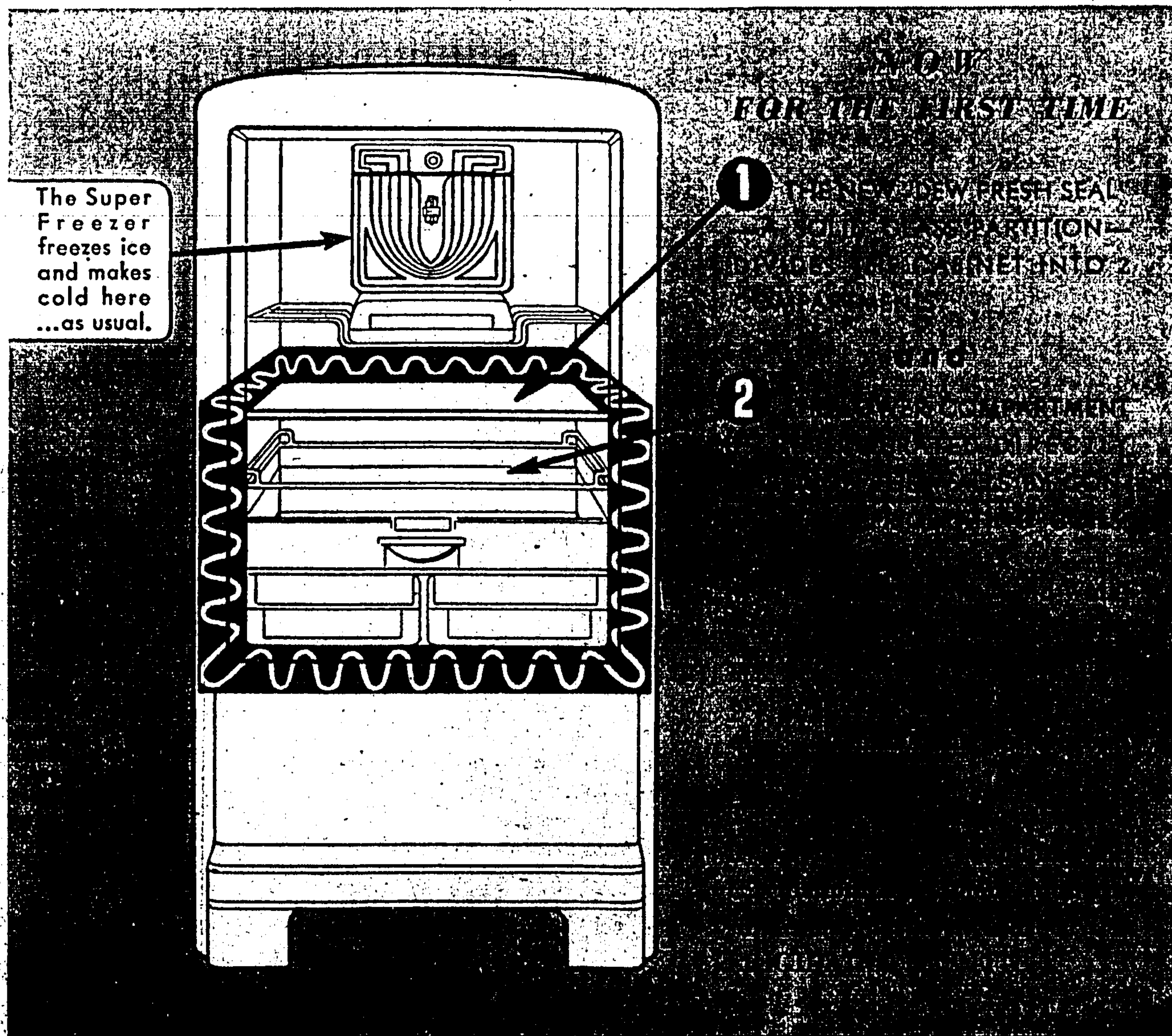
TEAMS TO BE AVOIDED

Fulham.—Norwich are fighting to avoid relegation and Fulham's championship chances have disappeared. Norwich won at Craven Cottage last season. Blackburn.—West Bromwich may easily cause an upset.

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Oxford Are Now Favourites

London, To-day.

Although both the Oxford and Cambridge crews are considered to be below the average, one of the closest boat races in years is expected to-morrow morning, starting at about 11 a.m.

Cambridge were installed as slight favourites during the early training period, but reports and discussion in the camp which had an upsetting effect on the crew, caused the betting to veer at 6 to 5 on Oxford despite the fact that they took the unprecedented action of changing their stroke a week before the race, when they deposed R. A. Bourne because it was suspected that there was a weakness in his stamina.

This breaks the family tradition as Bourne's grandfather, and father stroked Oxford crews.

BETTER PHYSICALLY

J. R. Bingham, who takes Bourne's place, is considered more physically suited to the position of stroke and has certainly infused more life into the stroking and has kept the crew well together.

Hart Massey, son of the Canadian High Commissioner in London, has the distinction of being the smallest coxswain in the history of the boat race and stands 4 ft. 2 ins. and weighs only 5 st. 1½ lb. — Reuter.

COTTON LEADS "DAILY MAIL" GOLF TOURNEY

London, To-day.

Henry Cotton with an aggregate of 144 over 36 holes led the field at the end of the second round of the "Daily Mail" £2,000 professional golf tournament.

Cotton had a 75 yesterday, and finished three strokes ahead of Dai Rees. Next came G. Knight, C. A. Whitcombe and Archie Compston with aggregates of 148.

Others, including Reginald Whitcombe had scores of 151, while Cecil Denny, who led the field on the first day together with Cotton, returned an aggregate of 154.

Alfred Perry, last year's winner of the tournament, had a score of 155.

Forty nine players with aggregate scores of 158 or under qualified for the final, over 36 holes, which will be held to-day. — Reuter.

SAPPERS AND D.B.S. SHARE THE SPOILS

In a friendly cricket match played at Sookunpoo on Wednesday, Royal Engineers drew with Diocesan Boys' School.

Royal Engineers: 151 for 8 dec. (Col. Denyer 43, Q. M. S. Goodger 37, Spr. Bailey 26, Cheung 4 for 39, Prata 3 for 30).

D.B.S.: 77 for 7 (Hutchinson not out 20; Cpl. Denyer 8 for 25).

H. H. Mundy, enthusiastic local golfer, leaves in the s.s. Canton to-morrow.

A. Hyde-Lay, prominent local lawn bowler, is proceeding on Home leave in the s.s. Canton.

R. S. Capell, former member of the General Committee of the Kowloon Cricket Club, who has been prominently identified with tennis at that Club for many years, sails in the Canton to-morrow on six months' furlough.

J. R. Luke, the Kowloon Cricket Club cricketer, leaves to-day in the Potadam on furlough.

TO-DAY'S TENNIS

Colony tennis enthusiasts should be treated to some first-class entertainment at the Hong Kong Cricket Club this afternoon.

On the Stand Court, Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yan-pui (holders) meet Paul Kong and Szeto Bick. The Tsuis have not been really extended as yet but have shown, if anything, a tightening up in combination which makes them even more formidable to aspirants for the doubles title than they were last season.

On No. 8 Court, imperturbable H. D. Rumjahn will meet temperamental Joe Leonard in a match that is certain to be entertaining from more points of view than mere tennis!

Open Doubles

Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yan-pui or O. Rumjahn and S. A. Hussain v. Paul Kong and B. Szeto (Stand Court).



Open Singles

J. W. Leonard v. H. D. Rumjahn (8). Lam Kwan or J. M. Tomlinson v. W. J. Howard (1).

Club Handicap Singles

E. E. Story (-5.0) v. A. C. Beck (-1.6) (6).

Club Singles

H. J. Armstrong v. Lt. J. S. Theobald (7).

Handicap Doubles

A. F. Walkden and J. Hackney (3.6) v. E. A. R. Newton and W. Wooding (1.6) (2). Maj. Nottingham and Capt. R. B. Lecky (-4.6) and B. O'M. Deane and H. Van Leeuwen (-3.6) (4).

Handicap Mixed Doubles

H. D. Bidwell and Miss E. J. Lamert (2.6) v. T. A. Pearce and Miss D. Dodwell (-1.5) (3).

W. Sander and Miss Ann Tylor (-1.5) v. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ferguson (-3.6).

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One way of developing a better body turn is to keep the arms stiff and stroke the ball with but a lateral movement of the shoulders. This will start the golfer off on the right track and the matter of cocking and uncocking the wrists can be ironed out later. Another method is to scuff the turf lightly by swinging the club to and fro, employing plenty of body turn in the swing each way. Notice how

GRAPHIC GOLF



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Wolves	34	18	8	8	74	48
Derby	35	17	7	11	59	46
Middlesbro.	35	16	8	12	79	60
Charlton	34	17	5	12	63	51
Stoke	35	14	9	12	63	62
Aston Villa	34	15	7	12	62	46
Arsenal	34	14	9	11	44	33
Bolton	34	13	11	10	59	48
Liverpool	35	12	11	12	53	57
Preston	33	12	10	11	49	47
Sunderland	34	12	8	14	46	54
Leeds	33	13	7	13	51	57
Grimsby	34	12	9	13	48	60
Manchester U.	34	9	12	13	48	58
Brentford	34	12	7	15	46	61
Chelsea	33	11	6	16	58	65
Portsmouth	34	9	12	13	37	62
Blackpool	34	8	12	14	46	55
Huddersfield	34	10	7	17	46	52
Leicester	35	8	10	17	37	65
Birmingham	34	9	6	19	53	74

SECOND DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.A.	Pts.
Blackburn	34	20	4	10	81	52
Wednesday	33	17	7	9	73	51
Sheffield U.	34	15	11	8	52	38
Newcastle	35	17	7	11	55	39
Luton	33	18	4	11	66	51
West Brom.	34	17	8	11	84	61
Chesterfield	34	16	8	10	53	42
Tottenham	34	15	9	10	55	45
Coventry	33	16	6	11	49	39
Fulham	33	14	9	10	50	42
Manchester C.	32	16	4	12	78	64
Burnley	36	13	9	14	42	46
West Ham	33	13	8	13	42	40
Plymouth	33	12	7	14	42	45
Millwall	34	10	11	13	53	47
Southampton	34	11	8	15	47	61
Bury	35	10	10	15	53	62
Bradford	35	10	10	15	55	71
Swansea	33	8	10	15	41	65
Notts F.	34	7	9	18	42	75
Norwich	32	10	2	20	40	80
Tranmere	35	5	5	25	35	87

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.A.	Pts.
Newport	35	20	8	7	53	37
Crystal P.	33	16	8	9	56	44
Brighton	34	16	8	10	55	40
Reading	35	14	12	9	62	48
Notts C.	32	15	7	10	47	36
Queen's P.R.	33	14	9	10	63	42
Watford	34	15	7	12	53	45
Swindon	33	14	7	12	62	58
Bristol C.	34	13	9	12	49	50
Aldershot	33	12	10	11	39	49
Northampton	34	14	6	14	50	50
Cardiff	33	12	8	13	46	49
Bournemouth	34	10	11	13	43	52
Southend	30	12	6	12	49	52
Torquay	33	11	8	14	44	54
Exeter	33	10	10	13	55	71
Mansfield	34	10	10	14	39	57
Ipswich	31	10	9	12	43	43
Bristol R.	34	8	10	15	42	46
Port Vale	32	9	7	16	38	47
Clapton	32	8	9	15	36	43
Walsall	33	6	9	18	40	58

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.A.	Pts.
Barnsley	35	26	5	4	81	28
Doncaster	34	16	12	6	64	40
Bradford C.	35	19	6	10	77	45
Southport	32	15	10	7	62	41
Oldham	34	18	4	12	60	49
Crawley	35	18	6	14	78	57
Hull	34	15	8	11	75	62
Chester	33	14	8	11	71	62
Stockport	32	14	7	11	75	48
Halifax	34	11	13	10	42	42
Rotherham	35	14	7	14	53	57
Barrow	34	14	6	15	55	57
New Brighton	35	13	7	15	56	61
Wrexham	35	13	6	16	53	73
Lincoln	34	11	9	14	62	72
Rochdale	35	11	9	15	75	69
Gateshead	33	10	13	10	59	69
Carlisle	33	12	5	16	55	85
York	33	9	8	16	48	69
Darlington	35	10	8	19	53	62
Hartlepool	35	10	4	21	48	66
Accrington	35	4	5	26	39	86

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (FIRST)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.A.	Pts.
Rangers	34	24	8	3	107	48
Celtic	32	17	7	8	90	46
Hearts	34	18	5	11	92	61
Aberdeen	33	17	6	10	80	54
Falkirk	34	17	7	10	68	56
Queen's O.S.	34	16	8	10	62	55
Hamilton	34	16	5	13	59	64
St. Johnstone	35	16	4	14	74	78
Motherwell	35	13	9	11	64	72
Kilmarnock	33	13	9	11	64	71
Paisley	34	15	4	15	68	70
Clackmannan	33	14	4	15	67	65
Ayr	33	11	8	14	65	78
Hibernian	34	11	6	17	66	66
Third Lanark	33	10	7	16	60	61
Aberroath	35	9	8	18	47	23
Queen's Park	32	10	5	17	53	75
St. Mirren	34	9	4	21	49	76
Albion	34	8	5	20	55	83
Raith	34	9	2	23	59	89

LEAGUE TABLES & FORM GUIDE

COVERING the last five League matches, this guide to current form in the English and Scottish Football Leagues indicates venue, opponent and result, with the most recent result on the extreme right column, i.e. (a18) indicates that the team played away to Team No. 18.

FIRST DIVISION

1 Arsenal	(a19) 1-2 (h 5) 3-1 (a13) 2-4 (h15) 2-0 (a14) 2-0
2 Aston Villa	(a14) 1-1 (h 3) 5-1 (a16) 1-1 (h20) 3-1 (a 8) 1-2
3 Birmingham	(h11) 1-1 (a 2) 1-5 (h22) 3-2 (a10) 2-4 (h12) 1-1
4 Blackpool	(h19) 2-1 (a 7) 1-3 (a 8) 1-1 (h 5) 0-0 (a13) 0-1
5 Bolton	(h12) 3-2 (a 1) 1-3 (h 6) 1-1 (a 4) 0-0 (h 9) 2-1
6 Brentford	(a 8) 3-1 (h 7) 1-0 (a 5) 1-1 (h13) 0-1 (a15) 0-1
7 Charlton	(h18) 3-3 (a 6) 0-1 (h 4) 3-1 (a 9) 1-3 (h11) 3-1
8 Chelsea	(a 9) 1-0 (h11) 5-1 (h 4) 1-1 (a21) 2-3 (h 2) 2-1
9 Derby	(a16) 1-1 (h 8) 0-1 (a19) 1-4 (h 7) 3-1 (a 5) 1-2
10 Everton	(a13) 2-1 (h14) 4-0 (a17) 4-4 (h 3) 4-2 (a16) 2-0
11 Grimsby	(a 3) 1-1 (h20) 2-1 (a 8) 1-5 (h19) 1-1 (a 7) 1-3
12 Huddersfield	(a 5) 2-3 (a14) 1-0 (h15) 1-1 (h17) 0-1 (a 3) 1-1
13 Leeds	(h10) 1-2 (a18) 0-2 (h 1) 4-2 (a 6) 1-0 (h 4) 1-0
14 Leicester	(a15) 1-1 (a10) 0-4 (h12) 0-1 (a18) 1-0 (h 1) 0-2
15 Liverpool	(h14) 1-1 (h18) 4-4 (a12) 1-1 (a 1) 0-2 (h 6) 1-0
16 Manchester U.	(h 9) 1-1 (a21) 2-5 (h 2) 1-1 (a22) 0-3 (h10) 0-2
17 Middlesbrough	(h21) 3-0 (a22) 1-6 (h10) 4-4 (a12) 1-0 (h18) 8-2
18 Portsmouth	(h13) 2-0 (a15) 4-4 (a21) 2-0 (h14) 0-1 (a17) 2-8
19 Preston	(h 1) 2-1 (a 0) 1-2 (h 9) 4-1 (a11) 1-1 (h21) 2-1
20 Stoke	(h 4) 1-1 (a11) 1-2 (h21) 3-1 (a 2) 1-3 (h22) 5-3
21 Sunderland	(h16) 5-2 (a20) 1-2 (h18) 0-2 (h 8) 3-2 (a19) 1-2
22 Wolves	(a15) 2-0 (h17) 6-1 (a 3) 2-3 (h16) 3-0 (a20) 3-5

SECOND DIVISION

1 Blackburn	(a18) 3-4 (a 6) 1-0 (h 8) 2-0 (h13) 3-2 (a11) 2-2
2 Bradford	(a14) 1-4 (h11) 0-1 (a 3) 0-0 (h18) 0-0 (a16) 2-3
3 Barnley	(h10) 2-0 (a 4) 0-1 (h 2) 0-0 (a17) 0-4 (h 5) 1-2
4 Bury	(a13) 1-1 (h 3) 1-0 (a21) 0-0 (h12) 2-3 (a 8) 1-2
5 Chesterfield	(h 6) 3-0 (a14) 0-0 (h15) 1-0 (a20) 2-2 (a 3) 2-1
6 Coventry	(h20) 1-0 (a 5) 0-3 (h 1) 0-1 (a10) 0-0 (h 9) 0-1
7 Fulham	(a16) 1-2 (h14) 1-2 (a13) 1-1 (h11) 1-1 (a21) 0-3
8 Luton	(h17) 6-3 (h19) 3-0 (a 1) 0-2 (a22) 1-0 (h 4) 2-1
9 Manchester C.	(h21) 3-3 (a18) 3-2 (a10) 1-3 (h16) 2-1 (a 6) 1-0
10 Millwall	(a16) 1-1 (h 9) 3-1 (h 6) 0-0 (a13) 0-3 (h22) 0-2
11 Newcastle	(a 2) 1-0 (h20) 2-1 (a12) 1-1 (a 7) 1-1 (h 1) 2-2
12 Norwich	(a10) 0-6 (h22) 2-6 (h11) 1-1 (a 4) 3-2 (h20) 2-2
13 Notts F.	(h 4) 1-1 (a17) 0-1 (h 7) 1-1 (a 1) 2-3 (h10) 3-0
14 Plymouth	(h 2) 4-1 (a 7) 2-1 (h 5) 0-0 (a19) 0-2 (h22) 0-0
15 Sheffield U.	(h 9) 1-0 (a20) 0-1 (h17) 1-2 (a 5) 0-1 (h19) 2-0
16 Southampton	(h 7) 2-1 (a19) 1-1 (h10) 1-1 (a 9) 1-2 (h 2) 3-2
17 Swansea	(a 8) 3-6 (h13) 1-0 (a15) 2-1 (h 3) 4-0 (a18) 0-3
18 Tottenham	(a11) 1-0 (a22) 2-0 (h 9) 2-3 (a 2) 0-0 (h17) 3-0
19 Tranmere	(a21) 0-2 (h16) 1-1 (a 8) 0-3 (h14) 2-0 (a15) 0-2
20 Wednesday	(h15) 1-0 (a11) 1-2 (h21) 2-1 (h 5) 0-0 (a12) 2-2
21 West Brom.	(h19) 2-0 (a 9) 3-8 (h 4) 6-0 (a20) 1-2 (h 7) 3-0
22 West Ham	(h18) 0-2 (a12) 6-2 (h 8) 0-1 (a14) 0-0 (a10) 2-0

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

1 Aldershot	(a17) 0-5 (h21) 3-3 (a11) 0-1 (h16) 2-0 (a18) 1-2
2 Bournemouth	(h13) 3-1 (h15) 1-1 (a12) 2-2 (h 7) 0-0 (h 5) 5-2
3 Brighton	(h 8) 0-0 (a13) 4-1 (h12) 0-0 (a 7) 0-2 (h20) 2-0
4 Bristol C.	(a 5) 1-1 (h11) 2-0 (a16) 1-3 (h18) 1-0 (a 9) 1-1
5 Bristol R.	(a12) 0-2 (h 7) 1-0 (a20) 2-2 (h19) 5-0 (a 2) 2-5
6 Cardiff	(h13) 2-0 (a19) 1-4 (h15) 2-4 (a22) 0-1 (h 8) 0-1
7 Clapton	(a18) 0-1 (h17) 1-2 (a 5) 0-1 (h 3) 2-0 (a 2) 0-0
8 Crystal P.	(a 3) 0-0 (h16) 0-1 (a18) 1-3 (h 9) 3-2 (a 6) 1-0
9 Exeter	(h12) 3-1 (a15) 2-3 (h22) 1-3 (a 8) 2-3 (h 4) 1-1
10 Ipswich	(h14) 0-2 (a20) 1-1 (h19) 3-1 (a15) 0-0 (h22) 5-1
11 Mansfield	(a 4) 0-2 (h20) 4-0 (h 1) 1-0 (a14) 1-1 (h13) 1-1
12 Newport	(a 9) 1-3 (h 5) 2-0 (a 3) 0-0 (h 2) 2-2 (a21) 1-1
13 Northampton	(a 6) 0-2 (h 3) 1-4 (a 2) 1-3 (h21) 4-1 (a11) 1-1
14 Notts C.	(a10) 2-0 (h 2) 0-1 (a21) 3-3 (h11) 1-1 (a18) 1-0
15 Port Vale	(h 9) 3-2 (a 6) 4-2 (a 2) 1-1 (h10) 0-0 (a17) 1-2
16 Queen's P.R.	(h20) 1-1 (a 8) 1-0 (h 4) 3-1 (a 1) 0-2 (h14) 0-1
17 Reading	(h 1) 5-0 (a22) 0-3 (h 8) 3-1 (a 4) 0-1 (h 1) 2-1
18 Southend	(h 7) 1-0 (a22) 0-3 (h 8) 3-1 (a 4) 0-1 (h 1) 2-1
19 Swindon	(a11) 1-1 (h 6) 4-1 (a10) 1-3 (h17) 4-2 (a 5) 0-5
20 Torquay	(h10) 1-1 (a11) 0-4 (a17) 5-3 (h 5) 2-2 (a 3) 0-2
21 Walsall	(h15) 4-0 (a 1) 3-3 (h14) 3-3 (a13) 1-4 (h12) 1-1
22 Watford	(a 2) 1-1 (h18) 3-0 (a 9) 3-1 (h 6) 1-0 (a10) 1-5

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

1 Accrington	(h 7) 2-1 (a 5) 4-6 (h 8) 3-0 (a12) 1-2 (h10) 1-1
2 Barnsley	(h19) 3-1 (a 7) 0-0 (h 5) 3-0 (a 8) 1-0 (h12) 2-0
3 Barrow	(a21) 0-3 (h22) 2-0 (a17) 2-2 (a 9) 1-1 (h19) 4-0
4 Bradford C.	(a21) 1-1 (h 9) 2-1 (a17) 1-1 (h 7) 4-1 (h18) 5-2
5 Carlisle	(a16) 1-6 (h 1) 6-4 (a 2) 0-3 (h16) 2-0 (a11) 1-5
6 Chester	(h 5) 6-1 (a22) 2-2 (h17) 0-0 (a18) 0-2 (h 9) 0-4
7 Crewe	(h 2) 0-0 (a16) 0-3 (h11) 2-2 (a 4) 1-4 (a15) 2-1
8 Darlington	(a14) 0-3 (h20) 4-3 (a 1) 0-6 (h 2) 0-1 (a16) 0-2
9 Doncaster	(h11) 0-0 (a15) 6-3 (a 4) 1-2 (h 3) 1-1 (a 6) 4-0
10 Gateshead	(a 4) 1-1 (h13) 2-2 (a14) 0-1 (h20) 4-1 (a 1) 1-1
11 Halifax	(h18) 1-1 (a 9) 0-0 (h19) 1-1 (a 7) 2-2 (h 5) 5-1
12 Hartlepool	(a13) 1-4 (h14) 2-1 (a20) 0-5 (h 1) 2-1 (a 2) 0-2
13 Hull	(a10) 2-2 (h18) 0-2 (h21) 1-1 (a22) 0-1 (h17) 3-3
14 Lincoln	(h 3) 3-1 (a18) 0-0 (h10) 1-0 (a21) 0-1 (h23) 3-3
15 New Brighton	(h17) 3-1 (a11) 0-0 (h 9) 3-6 (a19) 1-1 (h 7) 1-2
16 Oldham	(h 9) 0-0 (a19) 0-0 (h 7) 3-0 (a 5) 0-2 (h 8) 2-0
17 Rochdale	(a15) 1-3 (h 3) 2-2 (a 6) 0-0 (h 4) 1-1 (a13) 3-3
18 Rotherham	(a11) 1-1 (h15) 0-0 (a13) 2-0 (h 6) 2-0 (a 4) 2-5
19 Southport	(a 2) 1-3 (h16) 0-0 (a11) 1-1 (h15) 1-1 (a 3) 0-4
20 Stockport	(h 5) 3-0 (a 8) 3-4 (h12) 5-0 (a10) 1-4 (h21) 2-1
21 Wrexham	(a 6) 2-4 (h 4) 1-1 (a13) 1-1 (h14) 1-0 (a20) 1-2
22 York	(h15) 2-0 (a 3) 0-2 (h 6) 2-2 (h13) 1-0 (a14) 3-3

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION)

1 Aberdeen	(a18) 0-1 (h 9) 4-3 (a 6) 1-1 (a 8) 0-1 (h15) 2-1
2 Albion	(a15) 2-1 (h 8) 5-0 (a17) 0-5 (a14) 3-3 (a 9) 0-2
3 Arbroath	(h12) 2-0 (h 7) 1-2 (a20) 0-3 (a10) 1-1 (h19) 2-1
4 Ayr	(a10) 3-2 (a13) 3-2 (h 5) 1-4 (h12) 6-1 (a18) 1-0
5 Celtic	(h 6) 3-1 (h13) 3-1 (a20) 2-0 (a 4) 4-1 (h 7) 1-2
6 Clyde	(a14) 2-3 (h 1) 1-1 (h15) 2-3 (a16) 2-0 (h17) 1-1
7 Falkirk	(h18) 1-1 (a 8) 2-1 (h10) 1-1 (a 5) 2-1 (h20) 4-0
8 Hamilton	(a14) 0-3 (h16) 1-3 (a 2) 0-5 (h 1) 1-0 (h11) 8-1
9 Hearts	(a 1) 3-4 (h15) 8-3 (h14) 1-2 (a17) 1-1 (h 2) 2-0
10 Hibernian	(h 4) 2-3 (h18) 1-2 (a 7) 1-1 (h 8) 1-1 (a13) 0-4
11 Kilmarnock	(a13) 3-4 (a17) 2-2 (h14) 1-1 (a16) 3-2 (a 8) 1-3
12 Motherwell	(h 9) 4-2 (a 3) 0-2 (h19) 2-1 (h13) 4-3 (a 4) 1-6
13 Partick	(a 5) 1-3 (h 4) 2-8 (a12) 3-4 (a19) 4-1 (h10) 4-0
14 Queen's P.	(h 8) 3-0 (h 6) 3-2 (a11) 1-1 (a 9) 2-1 (h 2) 8-8
15 Queen's Park	(a 2) 1-2 (a 9) 3-8 (a 6) 3-2 (a 1) 1-2 (h16) 3-0
16 Raith	(a 8) 3-1 (h17) 0-2 (h11) 2-3 (h 6) 0-2 (a15) 0-3
17 Rangers	(h11) 2-2 (a18) 2-0 (h 2) 5-0 (h 9) 1-1 (a 6) 1-1
18 St. Johnstone	(a 7) 1-1 (h10) 2-1 (h19) 6-2 (h20) 2-1 (h 4) 3-1
19 St. Mirren	(a12) 1-2 (a16) 2-6 (h13) 1-4 (a 8) 1-2 (a 3) 1-2
20 Third Lanark	(h 5) 0-3 (h 3) 2-0 (h18) 3-3 (a 7) 0-4 (a 7) 0-4

COLONY TENNIS

LONG DRAWN OUT TUSSE UNDER TRYING CONDITIONS

(By "ADREM")

Two men dazed with exhaustion staggering around the court playing their strokes by instinct, was the scene on the Stand Court yesterday at 6 o'clock, when Lim Thiam-tet, former singles champion of Perak, maintained his promise of earlier rounds and outlasted Teddy Fincher to win a marathon match by 8-6, 10-8.

Conditions yesterday were hardly ideal for tennis. In the long drawn out duel that this match proved to be, they must have been killing. The surface of the court looked perfect—it had rolled out beautifully after the rain—but it was very greasy. Both players found difficulty in recovering, the ball skidded off in a disconcerting manner and a slice was most difficult to pick up.

Lasts Better

Strangely enough, it was Fincher, despite the weight he had to carry, who appeared the fitter at the end of the match. He utterly refused to recognise the advance of years. He went chasing up after drop-shots, dashing across to cut off drives and storming the net with all the dash of his heyday. Realising that he would never beat Fincher if he allowed him to stay at the net, and it soon became evident that his ground strokes were not powerful enough to produce passing shots with sufficient regularity, Lim concentrated on a campaign of lobbing which for a time, broke up his opponent's game.

Fincher was beaten time and again with some absolutely perfect lobs which the state of the court made impossible to recover.

The result was, he was caught in two minds. On several occasions, I noticed him move in for a net attack, only to change his mind at the last moment and be caught in "No Man's Land."

There he was at the mercy of the fine-length drives that Lim produced at will and was forced into defensive half-volleys when not beaten outright.

Lim, while being easily one of the most promising newcomers to the local tournament for many years, is not likely, on his showing of yesterday, to get any further than the semi-final.

He has all the strokes, and, as I remarked earlier, a splendid knowledge of the game. His service is one of the finest weapons of attack I have seen for a long time.

Not Enough

He undoubtedly has a very dour fighting spirit but I am afraid he will want more than that against either the Tsuis or the Rumjahnns.

It was a game of fluctuating fortunes. There was little brilliance in the first set. Fincher won the first two games but when Lim settled down, there was never very much in it. At 6-5 in his favour, Fincher had a set point but was pulled back and after more grim battling, Lim's consistency in all departments finally carried him through.

It appeared at the outset of the second set that Fincher had shot his bolt. He dropped the first two games without winning a point.

In the third game, he launched a net

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

Open Singles

Lim Thiam-tet beat E. C. Fincher 8-6, 10-8 (Second Round).
I. M. A. Razack beat Luk Chunchong 2-6, 6-3, 7-5 (Third Round).

Tsui Wai-pui beat Wong Shui-wing 6-3, 6-2 (Third Round).

Open Doubles

Major F. C. Nottingham and Capt. R. B. Lecky received a w/o from Lieut.-Col. L. A. Newnham and Major F. T. Baines (Second Round).

Club Handicap Singles

H. J. Armstrong (-15) beat R. M. M. King (+3.6), 6-0, 6-3 (First Round).

L. M. S. Lloyd (-1.6) beat N. L. Evans (scr.) 6-3, 6-2 (First Round).

Club Handicap Doubles

E. Laidlaw and A. C. Beck (scr.) beat T. E. and J. L. C. Pearce (+3.6) 4-6, 7-5, 6-3 (First Round).

Club Mixed Doubles

T. J. Gould and Mrs. Whyte-Smith (-2.6) beat Mr. and Mrs. E. J. R. Mitchell (-2.6) 6-2, 6-3.

attack with which he succeeded in stemming the tide.

With the score at 3-1 in favour of Lim, a dour struggle took place with Fincher emerging successful after a long series of deuces were called but Lim won the next game for 4-2, a match-winning lead at that period thought everybody.

Fine Recovery.

Fincher then played some of the finest tennis of the match. Hitherto beaten consistently by his opponent's drop-shot, he started to match drop with drop with a great deal more accuracy than Lim.

At about the same time, Lim's service, with which he had been scoring consistently, slowed up considerably and Fincher was standing right up to them and playing them almost on the half-volley for winners.

The scores were levelled at 4-all. The lead alternated until Lim levelled at 8-all after saving numerous set-points and, with Fincher now utterly exhausted and unable to move for anything not on his racket, the young Chinese emerged a deserving winner.

Lim was pulled up, quite rightly, I thought, by Capt. Whitmarsh, a base-line judge. He is very apt to drag his right foot over the line before striking the ball. He would do well to watch this fault as he was obviously upset by these decisions.



Piano And Violin Recital From The Studio

To-day's Wireless

London Relays: Beethoven's Choral Symphony

ZBW 355 M. (845 k.c.'s) and 31.49 M.
(9.52 megacycles)

12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—Compositions of Debussy.
La Fille Aux Cheveux De Lin. Grisha Gliboff (Violin) with Ivor Newton, at the Piano.
Arabesque No. 1. Mildred Dilling (Harp).
Sarabande. Boston Symphony Orchestra cond. by Serge Moussevitzsky.
Arabesque No. 2 In G. Marguerite Long (Piano).
Etude XI Pour Les Arpeges, Composes. Vladimir Horowitz (Piano).
"Dances": 1. Danse Sacree; 2. Danse Profane. Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Les Allen (Baritone) and Primo Scala's Accordion Band.
Don't Save Your Smiles (Davis-Coots-Fio Ritó); She Came From Alsace Lorraine (Hida-Carr). Primo Scala's Accordion Band with Vocal Refrain.
Rehearsing A Lullaby (Goodhart & Hoffman); Seein' Is Believin' (Adams & Ager). Les Allen (Baritone) with Carroll Gibbons (Piano) & His Boy Friends.
Medley. Intro: Alone; Poor Little

Angeline; Goody Goody. Primo Scala's Accordion Band with Vocal Refrain.
Musical Comedy Requests: Intro: One, Alone ('Desert Song'); Who? ('Sunny'); Indian Love Call ('Rose Marie'); Deep in My Heart Dear ('Student Prince'); Tea for Two ('No, No Nanette'); Lover, Come Back to Me ('New Moon'). Les Allen (Baritone) & His Canadian Bachelors with Orchestra.
Maracay (Gilbert-Nicholls); My Little Bunkaroo (from 'Strange Laws'). Primo Scala's Accordion Band with Vocal Refrain.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Len Fillis & His Hawaiian Orchestra.
Say The Word And It's Yours—Slow Fox-Trot (film 'First A Girl').
When The Leaves Bid The Trees Goodbye—Waltz.
Hawaiian Happiness—Medley. Intro: Aloha Oe; Aloha; Aloha Se-lected; Song of the Islands; O Sole Mio; Moonlight Bay; Aloha Oe.
The Winter Waltz (Altman & Ager). Rosetta (Hines & Woode).

2 p.m.—Nat Gonella & His Georgians.
Fox-Trots—Who Stole The Tiger's Rug?; Bring 'Em Back Alive; Oh, They're Tough—Mighty Tough In The West; Ten Pretty Girls.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.
(a) Sweet and Slow; (b) Skrontch; (c) You're not the kind; (d) Avalon.
6.14 p.m.—Record: Serenade In The Night (Kennedy); I'll Sing You A Thousand Love Songs (film 'Cain & Mabel'). Marc Henri (The Roaming Troubadour) with Orchestra.
6.21 p.m.—(a) Love is where you find it; (b) Carry me back to Old Virginny; (c) To-night will live; (d) She-lanigans.
6.35 p.m.—Records: If We Never Meet Again—Slow Fox-Trot; Old Fashioned Love—Quickstep. Gerry Moore (Piano).
Night On The Water (Nicholls & Clarke). Layton and Johnstone (American Duettists) with Piano.
6.45 p.m.—London Relay—'Under Big Ben' by Howard Marshall.
7 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.02 p.m.—Hildegard (Vocal) and The Hill Billies.
Covered Wagon Lullaby (Freeman & Leonard); The Trail Of The Lonesome Pine (from the film). The Hill Billies with Their Own Novelty Accompaniment.
I Believe In Miracles (Wendling & Meyer); Listen To The German Band (Gordon & Revel). Hildegard (Vocal) with Orchestra.
Susanna From Alabama (Ted & Ezra). The Hill Billies with Novelty Accompaniment.
Fritz (Hart & Bligh); The Scene Changes (Billy Hill). Hildegard

(Vocal) with Orchestra.
Take Ma Boots Off When Ah Dies (Carr); Ole Faithful (Carr). The Hill Billies with Novelty Accompaniment.

7.30 p.m.—Reginald Dixon at the Organ.
Dixon Hits No. 7. Intro: Lost; Lovely Lady; The Glory of Love.
Dixon Hits, No. 24. Intro: How'dja like to love me; Love walked in; Meet me down in Sunset Valley; I won't tell a soul; The sweetest song in the world; The Chocolate Soldier's daughter.

7.40 p.m.—Studio—Concert by Claire Hartie (Violin) and Molly O'Halloran (Piano).

1. Selection "Paganini" (Lehar).
2. Two Dances from Henry VIII (Edward German).
3. Two Ballads: Neapolitan Love Song (Victor Herbert); Simple Little Melody (Straus).

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Studio—Concert by Claire Hartie (Violin) and Molly O'Halloran (Piano) continued.

4. German Waltz (Schroder) — Ich Tanz mit Dir In Dem Himmel Hindein; German Tango (Emil Paem)—Regentropfen.

8.15 p.m.—London Relay—Your Programme from Daventry? A talk by the Empire Service Director.

8.30 p.m.—Studio—Light Song Recital by Jack Grenham.

9 p.m.—London Relay—'Food for Thought'. Three short talks on matters of topical interest.

9.20 p.m.—Next week's programme.

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.50 p.m.—Beethoven—Symphony No. 9 In D Minor, Op. 125 ("Choral"). Felix Weingartner and Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra.

11 p.m.—Close down.



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♠ K 5
♥ Q 9 8 4
♦ 8 7 3
♣ A 9 6 2
♠ J 10 4
♥ K 6 2
♦ Q J 5
♣ K J 10 3
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W
E
S
♠ 9 8 7 6 5
♥ A J 10 8
♦ 10 4
♣ 8 7
♠ A Q 3
♥ 7 5
♦ A K 9 6 2
♣ Q 5 4

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♦	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♦	Pass	Pass	Pass

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KING... 2
QUEEN... 1
JACK... 0

South's bidding in to-day's hand is a good example of what not to do. Following his diamond opening and North's one-notrump response, South should simply have passed, since with 5-3-3-2 distribution there was nothing unsatisfactory about notrump. Similarly, over his partner's two-notrump he should have passed again, but for some reason best known to himself he continued to three diamonds.

The Jack of spades was opened. South won with the King in dummy, led a trump over to his King and led the seven of hearts. He ducked in dummy; East won with the ten and shifted to the eight of clubs. South played the four, West the ten and dummy the Ace. Declarer now played a second trump and led another heart, dummy's eight forcing East's Jack. East then played another club, whereupon Declarer had to lose two club tricks, try hearts and a trump and was down one, thereby losing a sure partial.

score which would surely have been made had he passed his partner's one notrump, and would probably have been made had he passed his partner's two notrump.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner. Neither side was vulnerable; you had 60 on score and held:

♠ x
♥ A J 9 x x
♦ K 10 9 x
♣ K J x

The bidding:

You	Jacoby	Schenken	Burnstone
1♥	1♠	DBL	Pass
(?)			

ANSWER: You should pass, particularly in view of the score.

Your partner obviously knows that the contract of one notrump or two in any suit gives you game. Nevertheless he has chosen to double one spade. Furthermore, the spade overall may be the desperation type, and you have every reason to expect to set the contract more than the value of game.

Score 100% for pass, 60% for one notrump, (the best bid if you do take out), 30% for two hearts or two diamonds, 0 for any other bid.

Question No. 62

David Bruce Burnstone is your partner. You hold:

♠ 5 4
♥ A 9 8 7 6
♦ 10 7 6 5
♣ Q 8 3

The bidding:

Maier	Burnstone	Jacoby	You
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	3♥	Pass

What do you lead?

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AT THE KING'S — "Three Blind Mice". Gaiety, glamour, and romance sparkle as three lovely sisters come into a legacy and leave the Old Homestead in search of husbands. With Loretta Young, Joel McCrea, David Niven, Stuart Erwin, Marjorie Weaver, Pauline Moore, Binnie Barnes and Jane Darwell.

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AT THE ORIENTAL — "A Slight Case Of Murder". Damon Runyon takes filmland's toughest guy for the most hilarious ride of their chequered careers in the best burlesque on gangster films ever conceived by an ace humorist. With Edward G. Robinson, Jane Bryan, Allen Jenkins, Ruth Donnelly, John Littel, Edward Brophy, Harold Huber, Eric Stanley and that "Dead End" kid, Bobby Jordan.

AT THE CATHAY — "Radio City Revels". Love and laughter, with musical trimmings and spiced with novelty, features this new screen product. A notable cast is headed by Bob Burns, Jack Oakie, Kenny Baker, Victor Moore, Helen Broderick, Ann Miller and Milton Berle.

AT THE MAJESTIC — "Battle of Broadway". It's Flagg and Quirt again; Buddies between battles — these two Legionnaires on holiday forget all about that 20-year old armistice when a girl gives the "glad eye" to both of them. Victor McLaglen and his new side-kick, Brian Donlevy, Louise Hovick, Raymond Walburn, Lynn Bari, Jane Darwell and Robert Kellard.

AT THE STAR — "Hitting A New High". A huge hoax, designed to get Lily Pons an operatic audition is one of the highlights of the diva's latest musical film. Jack Oakie is co-starred as the singer's partner in the deception which is perpetrated against Edward Everett Horton. The supporting cast includes John Howard, Eric Blore and Eduardo Ciannelli.

AT THE ALHAMBRA — "Crime of Dr. Hallet". The tale of a doctor's fight against Red Fever, in Sumatra, headed by Ralph Bellamy, Josephine Hutchinson, Barbara Read, William Gardan and John King.



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By Order,
S. W. CHENG,
Secretary.



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PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY; the 3rd day of April, 1939, at 3 p.m. at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshui, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

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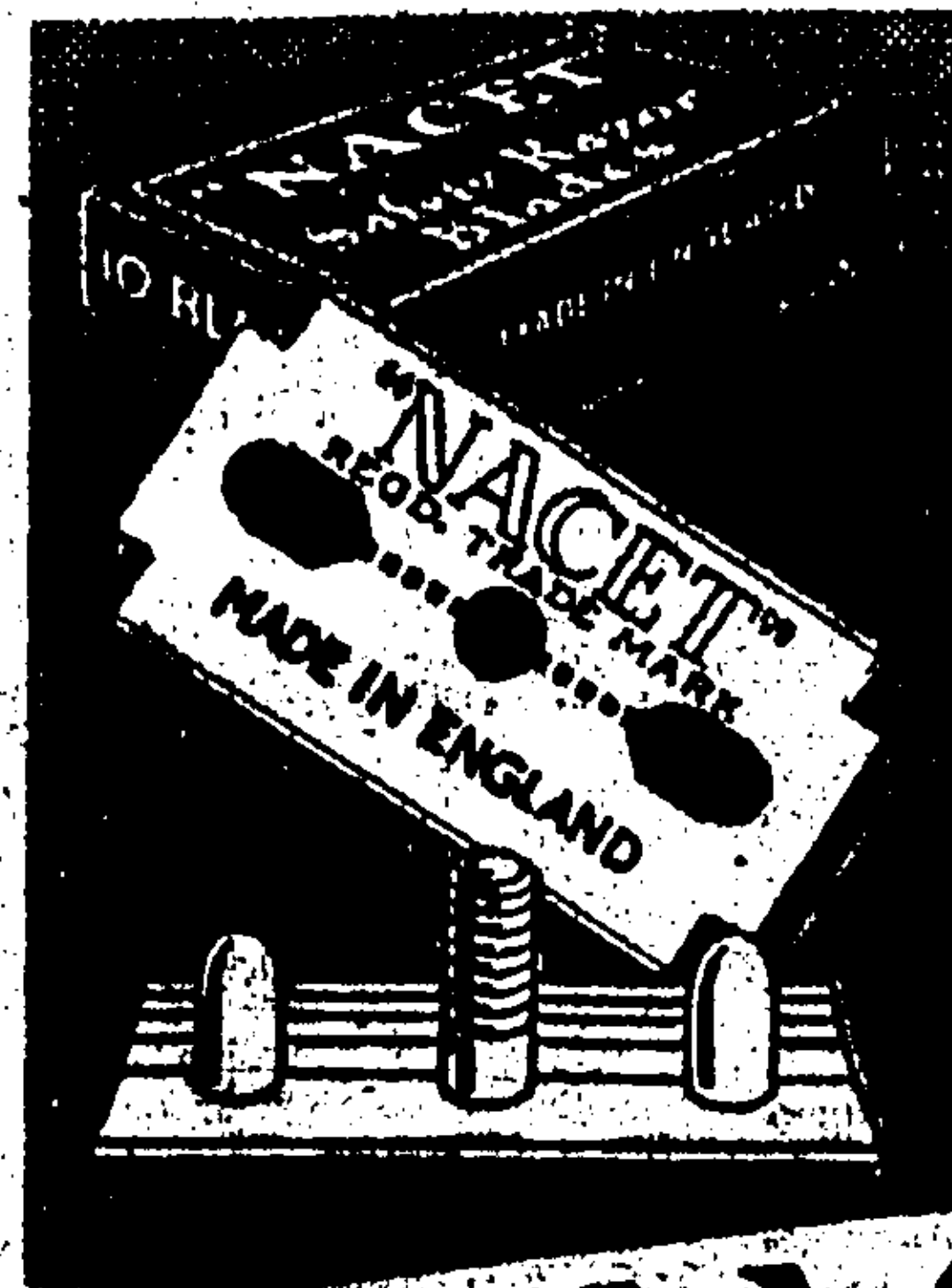
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NACET
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LARGE SCALE DRIVE PLANNED BY CHIANG

Tokyo, To-day.

An impending large-scale Chinese offensive, planned by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek on the North China front, was reported by the entire Japanese press last evening on the basis of information said to emanate from a reliable Peiping source.

Chinese troop movements indicate that Chinese counter-attacks will take place from the southern direction on various sectors of the Lung-hai front while another push would be directed from Sianfu, on South Shansi.

A further attack would be launched from Suiyuan on Chahar Province.

Chiang Kai-shek, according to the papers, ordered at the same time, increased guerilla activity on all fronts. The Marshal intends to revive the fighting spirit of his troops and to strengthen the confidence of third nations in the fighting power of the Chinese Army hoping to open thereby new resources from the English, French and Russian side.

Particularly for the latter reason, Japanese military circles believe that partial actions are quite possible but doubt whether the Chinese Command would be able to start, at present, a general offensive on a large scale.—Trans-Ocean.

A three-year-old boy, Morton Hutton, was treated at the Military Hospital with injuries to the face, after he had been bitten by a dog owned Mrs. R. E. Wilkes, of

KWANGSI TROOPS AT KONGMOON

Macao, To-day.

Chinese reports from Shekhi state that following the arrival of General Chan Fat-kwei's Kwangsi troops, the Japanese suffered heavy losses in the vicinity of Kongmoon, and retired last evening.

However, the Japanese have re-occupied Yunki and Kweichow.—Reuter.

NAZI WARNING TO "FOREIGN MINISTERS"

Berlin, To-day.

The visit of the Polish Foreign Minister, Col. Beck, to London, has received little attention in the Nazi press, nor is any mention made of the present state of Polish-German relations.

"An attempt will be made to get still other foreign Ministers to visit London," says the paper "Nachtausgabe."

"The Foreign Ministers of Europe will have to make up their minds whether to become partners in Britain's dangerous anti-German and anti-Italian policy or whether, on the basis of their own power, they prefer to collaborate with Germany." — Trans-Ocean.

Jubilee Building, yesterday. The dog was sent to Mautaukok for observation.

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NANCHANG EPITOMISES JAP. METHODS

London, To-day.

The capture of Nanchang represents the first important Japanese success since the fall of Hankow and Canton, says "The Times," and in the fate of the city may be seen epitomised the process which Tokyo likes to call the regeneration of China.

In terms of human suffering, China's agony is on a scale which reduce the plight of Europe's refugees to little more than a flea-bite.

China's tenacity in an honourable cause appears unshaken, and the difficulties which Japan are not noticeably decreasing.

The only quarter where Japan has improved her prospects is Tsingtao, where the authorities have opened the harbour for foreign shipping. In London, this development is welcomed without reserve, and while there is no specific reason to hope for extension to other spheres, its application at Tsingtao is eminently satisfactory.—Reuter.

BRITAIN TO GIVE WARNING TO GERMANY

(Continued from Page 1)

ately been hitherto inadequate for fulfilling German wishes.

"A number of urgent problems still remain to be solved," he said, referring to the 1,000,000 Germans in Poland.

"We also desire an improvement of the conditions under which 650,000 Germans in Hungary are living, but it may be assumed that the friendly State of Hungary will take measures as soon as possible to satisfy the just demands of the German minority." — Trans-Ocean.

Miss E. Amos, of No. 2 Embankment Road, has reported that she had her purse with \$54 stolen from the counter of the China Product Co., at Des Voeux Road Central, yesterday.

Mr. B. E. Sugars, of the Government Store Department, has reported that a mechanical pump was stolen from his car, while it was parked in Pedder Street yesterday.

Two Siamese, Koo Soon-lai, 39 unemployed, and Koo Soon-hang, 30, were fined \$10 by Mr. E. Edwards this morning, when charged with changing their residence without notifying the Police.

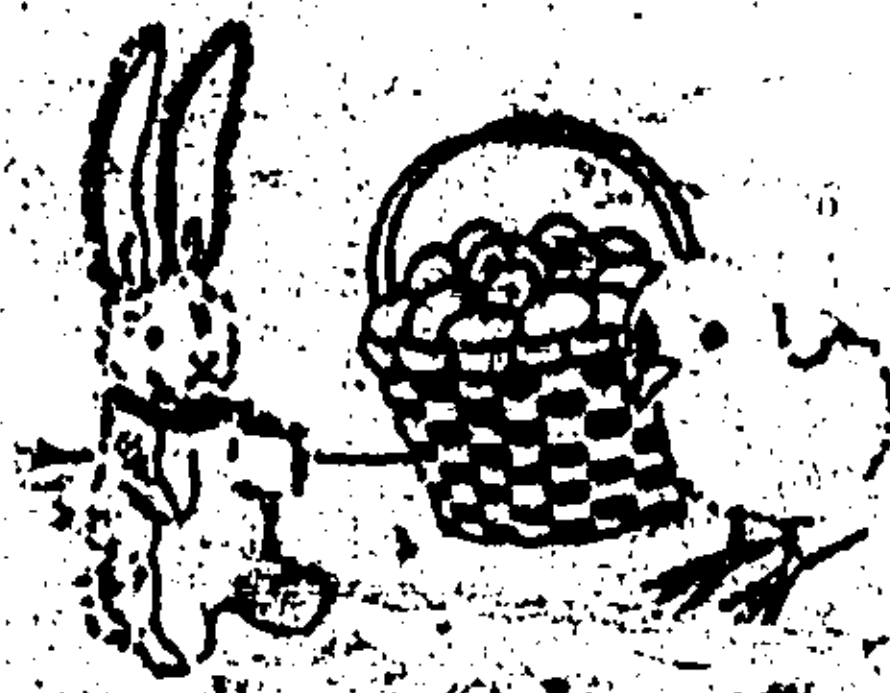
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